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# KAPPA ALPHA THETA FOUNDATION

**Fast facts about the many ways your restricted and unrestricted gifts to the Foundation benefit Thetas**

## Scholarship

Almost \$500,000 will be awarded in 2002 to alumna and undergraduate members of Theta. Approximately 145 graduate and undergraduate merit-based awards are available.

**Application process:** Applications are available at chapters in October; you may also download from Theta's website or contact the Foundation office in Indianapolis. Postmark due date is February 1.

Scholarships are awarded from *restricted* endowed funds. Specific criteria, if desired, are set up when the scholarship is established.

## Leadership Grants

Thirty-six members will attend The LeaderShape Institute in the summer of 2002 on a leadership grant. Grant total is \$61,200 and is granted from *unrestricted* gifts to the Foundation.

LeaderShape is designed to help young people learn "... to lead with integrity." Undergraduate Thetas will attend and attain leadership skills to take back to their individual chapters, thereby strengthening the chapter as well as developing personal leadership skills.

## Named Trust Grants

Available to individual undergraduate or alumna Thetas and to college chapters or alumnae groups. In 2001-2002, \$53,000 was available for grants.

These are *restricted* funds from endowed named trusts. Specific criteria, if desired, are determined at the time the named trust is established.

Grants are to be used for leadership training and development or education. Leadership training is defined as "... providing tools to achieve new insights, build effective teams or enhance society in a wider influence for the good." Education is defined as "... knowledge or skill obtained for a particular purpose but not for an advanced degree."

Applications are available from the Foundation office in Indianapolis and on Theta's Website. Grant deadlines are March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31.

## National CASA Biennial Grant

\$60,000 has been granted to national CASA for 2001-2003 from *unrestricted* gifts to the Foundation.

The grant is to be used to promote public awareness through video reproduction and distribution; website development; publications; technical assistance through the toll-free telephone number; and recognition of the CASA director of the year.

## Fraternity Grant

More than \$410,000 has been granted to the Fraternity in 2001-2002 from *unrestricted* gifts to the Foundation.

This grant is used to directly benefit Theta collegians through archives development, DLC educational speakers, Grand Convention educational speakers, Educational Leadership Consultant program, Risk Management on the Road program, *Something of Value*, and *Talking About Alcohol* (TAA).

**Questions concerning Foundation programs should be directed to the director of programs.**

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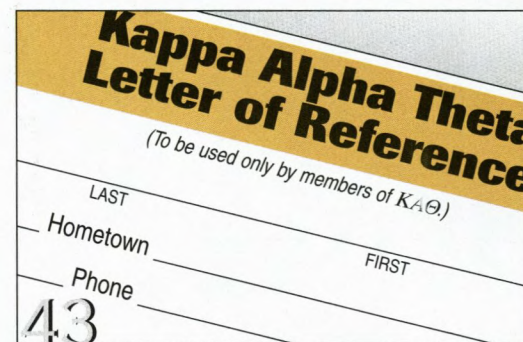
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YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW,  
KAPPA ALPHA THETA EXISTS TO  
NURTURE EACH MEMBER THROUGH-  
OUT HER COLLEGE AND ALUMNAE  
EXPERIENCE AND TO OFFER  
LIFELONG OPPORTUNITY FOR SOCIAL,  
INTELLECTUAL, AND MORAL GROWTH  
AS SHE MEETS THE HIGHER AND  
BROADER DEMANDS OF MATURE LIFE.



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Alumnae Clubs	.....163
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# "It Will Be All Right"

*Editor's Note: Instead of the column that usually runs in this space, we wanted to share with you this letter from Karen Stollenmeyer Klomp, M/Allegheny, about September 11.*

**K**appa Alpha Theta never ceases to amaze me. At Christmas, I was amazed by the wonderful check I received from the Friendship Fund. A few days later, more amazement when I read my name in the Over the Desktop column in the Winter 2001-02 magazine. Thank you for mentioning my New York City preschool in the paragraph about September 11.

Since September 11, I am so thankful to be alive and able to continue our program for the children in Battery Park City and surrounding neighborhoods. My business partner, Denise Cordivano, and I were able to move back into our apartment in early November.

September 11 began like any other Tuesday morning at Battery Park City Day Nursery. Teachers welcomed toddlers and preschoolers to the fifth day of the fall program. Old-timers returned gleefully to play with the toys and play with their friends. New students and parents anxiously waved goodbye. I was working two blocks away at our apartment when I heard the drone of the plane and then the explosion. When I looked out the window, flames and smoke were erupting from the upper stories of the World Trade Center, one block away. I ran to the school, praying for strength and guidance in the uncertainty and chaos.

As events unfolded, our teachers, parents, and children were amazingly calm. When the second tower fell, the lights went out, and the huge cloud of dust and debris obliterated the sunlight. While Denise and I went for flashlights, the teachers lit birthday candles and began to sing. The children calmed down and joined in. At 11:30 am, we were evacuated by city bus to the ferry dock, and then we went by tugboat to Jersey City, NJ. We moved to three more evacuation points during the day. At 9:00 pm, we were still unable to connect with the parents of three children, and we expected to

spend the night on cots in a high school cafeteria. What a wonderful surprise when one of our dads appeared and drove the five of us to his sister's home. On Wednesday afternoon, we delivered the last child to his mother, and Denise and I went home to Pennsylvania.

When we reopened the nursery three weeks later, the enrollment had plummeted from 120 to 11. As a result, we had to terminate nearly half of our loyal and dedicated staff. Access to the neighborhood was time-consuming, circuitous, and frustrating. Subways were closed. There were no buses or taxis. Entering Battery Park City required a letter of purpose and photo identification to be presented at various checkpoints en route to the nursery. A few brave and hardy parents made the trip.

Denise worked with staff, parents, and children to reorganize a smaller program in three of our five classrooms. We closed the backyard play area because of the dust still floating in from the demolition and made an indoor play

space in an empty room. I concentrated on finding donations, loans, and grants until more families could return.

Four months have passed. The National Guard and NYPD no longer monitor every street corner. We have 55 children enrolled. Parents, children, neighbors, friends of friends, and complete strangers from around the nation and world, along with Kappa Alpha Theta, have called to offer various kinds of assistance or sent us checks and other donations. We thank you with our whole hearts. We are determined that the nursery will stay open to provide the preschool and day care needed by the families in downtown New York City. On the afternoon of September 11, a three-year-old looking at the smoke from the huge, burning pile of rubble said to us, "The towers are gone. The playground is filled with dirt. The toys are all dusty, but it will be all right." With everyone working together, we are determined that in a new way, as soon as possible, "...it will be all right."

Loyally,  
Karen Stollenmeyer Klomp  
M/Allegheny

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has recently undergone some exciting changes...

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- Finance Handbook
- Risk Management Manual
- Facility Manual
- Recruitment Manual

Each online manual includes a clickable table of contents and a search feature, making the manuals very user-friendly. Plus, the manuals are updated regularly, so the most current information is always at your fingertips!



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You can view pictures and quotes from all eight sessions of LeaderShape 2001 in the Foundation section of the website.



## Famous Thetas

Also check out the new and expanded Famous Thetas section of the website. It is located in the "What Is Theta" area. Now information about (and, in many cases, photographs of) our many distinguished sisters is easily accessible.

*First Lady Laura Bush and Kerri Strug, gold medal Olympian*

## Theta Marketplace

In the Theta Marketplace, the official jewelry area has been remodeled and features badges, necklaces, and rings, in gold and sterling silver, with and without gems. Obtaining product information and placing orders is now easier than ever.



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Registration for non-delegates is available until May 15. For more information, visit

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Join us in Orlando as we honor accomplishments, determine our future, and celebrate our history. Join us as we share the magic of Theta sisterhood.

## KISSING FOR CASA

Barbie Wofford Butz, Gamma Rho/UC Santa Barbara, has accomplished a lot in her life, but she's never kissed a pig. At least, not until she was invited to be a candidate for the eighth annual "Kiss the Pig" Contest, a fund-raising effort to support CASA/Voices for Children in San Luis Obispo County, Calif.

There were five other candidates, each hoping to pucker up and plant a smooch on the pig's proboscis. Collectively, the candidates raised more than \$28,000, the most money raised in the contest's history. They campaigned for votes, each of which cost five dollars. In true Theta spirit, members of the Zeta Theta Chapter at Cal Poly pitched in to help Butz stuff and seal more than 600 envelopes.

But back to kissing the pig. The little swine was named Otis, and he received kisses from all the candidates at an event held in the plaza of the Mission de Tolosa in San Luis Obispo.

Otis the pig gets an extra hug from Wendy Most, executive director of the San Luis Obispo County CASA, and Barbie Butz, ΓP/UC Santa Barbara.



## SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following college and alumnae chapters celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2002!

### 120 Years

Nu/Hanover

### 110 Years

Alpha Gamma/Ohio State

### 100 Years

Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter

### 90 Years

Alpha Rho/South Dakota

### 75 Years

St. Paul Alumnae Chapter

### 50 Years

Atlanta Alumnae Chapter  
Sacramento Valley Alumnae Chapter

## HOW TO SUCCEED

Whether you're a recent college graduate looking for a first job, an experienced professional seeking a new position, or a woman who's been out of the work force for a while, you may be wondering what it takes to succeed in today's competitive job market. The following characteristics were judged extremely important in a survey of human resources administrators.

- Ability to accept responsibility
- Honesty and integrity
- Sincerity
- Eagerness and enthusiasm
- Decision-making skills
- Critical thinking and logic skills
- Initiative
- Businesslike, professional attitude
- Intelligence
- Verbal skills

## WRITE TO US!

Do you have a comment about an article in this or any other issue of *The Magazine*? Do you know an accomplished Theta who would be a good subject for a profile article? Do you have a Theta issue on your mind?

Then let us hear from you! We are pleased to receive letters from our readers; we value your input.

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## A SPECIAL THETA

Sandy Fritz, beloved "housemother" at the Rho Chapter facility at the University of Nebraska, was initiated into the chapter in October. Fritz's daughter, Beth Davis, also Rho/Nebraska, and many alumnae and past chapter presidents were in attendance. Wearing gray and standing in the center, Fritz is pictured with some of the alumnae who came to surprise and celebrate with her.





# ALUMNAE



Twelve current and former educational leadership consultants participated in the re-installation of the **BETA THETA CHAPTER** at **IDAHO**. Back row: **ROBIN McMICKEN KRIEGER, BΘ/IDAHO**; **JONI SCHNEIDER MORROW, BΘ/IDAHO**; **KENDRA BYRD, ΓΨ/TCU**; **BETSY SIERK CORRIDAN, BO/IOWA**; **LARA PERRY, ZP/UC SAN DIEGO**; **JENNY RANDALL, Ψ/WISCONSIN**; **SAMANTHA HUNTER, ΔZ/EMORY**; front row: **ERIKA YEAGY, AM/MISSOURI**; **KATHRYN STONE, ZN/UC DAVIS**; **KELLY GETTLES MULLIN, AΣ/WASHINGTON STATE**; **TERRY TATKO, BΘ/IDAHO**; and **CAROL McLAUGHLIN, EΠ/BUCKNELL**.



Two Thetas, **RUTH PARRY STEWART, AY/WASHBURN**, and **SHIRLEY HENDRICK FRONDORF, AT/CINCINNATI**, found each other

at the University Retirement Center (URC) in Davis, Calif., and became fast friends. Stewart is a watercolor painter and teaches at URC, and Frondorf is an attorney and published author. Coincidentally, their husbands are both Sigma Chis. Both the Stewarts and the Frondorfs have apartments at URC and would love to hear from any former classmates.

**MARY FRANCES "CHAN" DRISCOLL, AΘ/TEXAS**, is serving as president of Midland Panhellenic for its 50th anniversary year. Driscoll, along with three other women from different sororities, was a founder of the Panhellenic association. Midland Panhellenic was founded on and still follows these principles: to help young women get involved in Greek-letter organizations and start off on a good foot in college.



Midland Reporter Telegram

## SNAPSHOTS

**SUE HOELSCHER ADAMS, ΓP/UCSB**, recently received a 2001 Santa Barbara News-Press Lifetime Achievement Award, due to her efforts in establishing Santa Barbara's first and only homeless shelter. Adams is also a volunteer case worker and a member of The Saint Cecilia Society, a little-known organization that quietly finds out who is in trouble and who is in need, and intervenes.

**EVA C. DAHL, BO/IOWA**, was named the 2001 Dental Alumna of the Year by the University of Iowa Dental Alumni Association at the fall meeting. She is the first woman to receive this award in the 35-year history. Dr. Dahl, a 1976 graduate of the UI College of Dentistry, is an endodontist in private practice in Onalaska, Wisconsin.



**DONNA McDANIEL SKOVLIN, BE/OREGON STATE**, and her husband Jon, recently published a new book on the McCartys, a family of horseback outlaws. *In Pursuit of the McCartys* focuses on the oldest McCarty brother, Tom, mentor of Butch Cassidy and Matt Warner and leader of gangs operating throughout the early west. In 1900, the *New York Herald* called him the "Napoleon of outlawry." Meticulous research resulted in a 360-page book.

**JULIA FREEMAN GUY, ΓΔ/OHIO WESLEYAN**, was awarded a 2001 Alumni Award for distinguished teaching at The Ohio State University where she is an assistant professor in the department of anatomy and medical education. Recipients are nominated by present and former students and colleagues, and are chosen by a committee of alumni, students and faculty. Having been a member of the OSU faculty since 1986, Guy was recognized as being an exemplary teacher, a wonderful role model and dedicated to her students.

**DONNA "JEAN" NELLERMÖE SCHROEDER, ΓN/NORTH DAKOTA**, recently received the Heritage Award for Alumni Service at North Dakota State's homecoming. Her years of service to NDSU span an impressive two decades. Her NDSU volunteer jobs include serving on the NDSU Development Foundation Board of Trustees since 1988.





## ACHIEVEMENTS...

**MOLLY CORBETT BROAD**, X/SYRACUSE, was recently named the 2001 Tar Heel of the Year. She is currently president of the University of North Carolina System, and oversees 16 North Carolina State Universities. Broad's decisions ultimately affect 37,000 employees and



170,000 students. Having been in office since July 1997, her cause is to improve the state's public uni-

versities for as long as she is entrusted with the job. Broad and her husband reside in Chapel Hill, NC.

**ANNE HOLDEN CARSON**, ΔZ/EMORY, and her husband, Jim, both received the Emory Medal in the fall of 2000. The Emory Medal is the highest honor the university bestows upon its alumni and is given for distinguished service to the university and to the community.

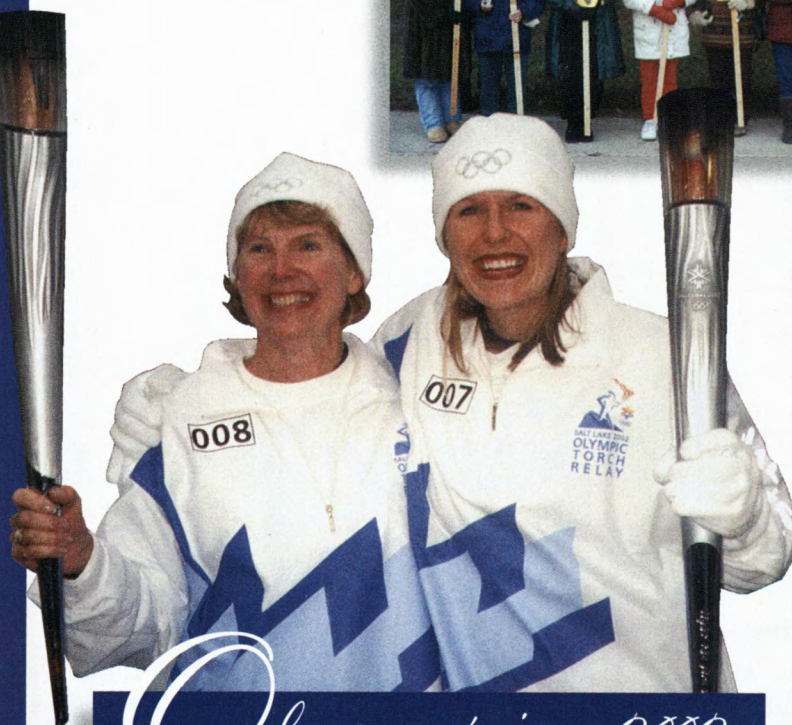
**ELIZABETH SMITH**, ΔZ/EMORY, was one of four Emory University students to receive the Robert T. Jones, Jr., Memorial Scholarship Fund Award for a year of study at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. The Scholarship Fund Award, established in 1976, seeks to recognize individuals who will be excellent representatives of Emory at St. Andrews. Qualities required to fulfill this ambassadorship include intellectual excellence, a record of significant leadership, and academic interests that can be pursued through the offerings at St. Andrews.



▲ Representatives from the **SAN LUIS OBISPO/CENTRAL COAST ALUMNAE CLUB** wait for the torchbearers, **NANCY** and **AMY GERRISH**.

Pictured are:

**VAUGHN WAY BOYD**, ΓO/NEW MEXICO; **NANCY TAYLOR WOLF**, SUSAN STONESTREET BROWN and **JANNE GALLION**, all O/USC; **JULIE WALLIS MOORE**, BΔ/ARIZONA; **KATRINA HANSON KEATTS**, ΓX/FRESNO STATE; **MARY CANNON SERFOZO**, AΣ/WASHINGTON STATE; **JEAN WATKINS ROSS**, Φ/PACIFIC; and **JEAN McDONALD COLE**, AO/OKLAHOMA.



## Olympics 2002

When the Olympic flame made its way through San Luis Obispo County, Calif., in January, two of the chosen torchbearers were Thetas. **NANCY PLOCAR GERRISH**, Δ/ILLINOIS, is a retired teacher who still substitutes and works with Canine Companions to serve the handicapped. Diagnosed with breast cancer in 1998, she has turned her experience into an avenue for increasing awareness and helping and inspiring others. Gerrish was nominated by her daughter, **AMY GERRISH**, B/INDIANA. Her nomination so impressed the selection committee that Amy, now a law student, was invited to run as well.



At their Christmas party, the **IOWA CITY ALUMNAE CLUB** honored some special Thetas: **EMILY ROWAT**, ΓY/MIAMI president; **MARY JANE PARKER BEACH**, BN/FLORIDA STATE, Fraternity president; and **ELAINE LOSSMAN IVIE**, BO/IOWA, former Grand Council member. Ivie recently retired after serving for 35 years as permanent alumnae secretary for the Beta Omicron Chapter at Iowa.







LIBBY FRICK and CHRISTIN CUNNINGHAM,  $\Gamma Y$ /MIAMI, show their Theta spirit!

# Theta for a lifetime



In October the members of the **DELTA OMICRON/ALABAMA** chapter took a sisterhood retreat to the Hargis Retreat Center in Birmingham, Ala. During the campout, members played team-building games and performed skits. The retreat was a great success!



The **ZETA UPSILON** chapter at the **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS DALLAS** took a break from fall recruitment to pose for the camera.

$\Delta K$ /LSU members gathered for the wedding of **KELLY LORIO** to Josh Perello in Jeanerette, Louisiana.



Twenty-six members of the  **$\Delta H$ /KANSAS STATE** chapter helped **LISA VANMETER SHIELDS** celebrate her wedding in June 2001.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

**A**SHLEY DICKSON, SHANNA JARVIS, BROOKE RAMSEY, JENNIFER BRADBERRY WALL, ALISON COX, CRYSTAL PHILLIPS, MANDY MONTGOMERY, HEATHER ATCHLEY, and ERIN CHISHOLM celebrated the marriage of their  $\Delta O$ /ALABAMA sister, **KATIE SHIRLEY THURSTON**.



# Welcome

# Eta Kappa

• John Carroll University •



The women of Eta Kappa: Kappa Alpha Theta's 124th chapter.



Members of Eta Kappa participated in an ice-skating sisterhood event.

Over the weekend of November 17, 40 members of the Eta Kappa Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta at John Carroll University were initiated; signed the charter; and, with their parents, campus representatives, members of the district team, Grand Council, headquarters staff, and the Panhellenic community, celebrated becoming the 124th chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Mary Jane Beach, BN/Florida State, Fraternity president, presided over the weekend installation. Special thanks to the Fraternity officers, educational leadership consultants and staff members who served on the installation team: Linda Pieplow, ΓM/Maryland, vice-president college; Ann Varey, ΓZ/Connecticut, vice-president extension; Cay Eckland, AΘ/Texas, music coordinator; Joni Morrow, BΘ/Idaho, education district director; Beverly Bowlus, BA/William & Mary, college district president; Laurie Connor, Γ<sup>Δ</sup>/Ohio Wesleyan, alumnae district officer; Kelley Hurst, BI/Colorado, director of chapter services; Jenn Goodman, BΔ/Arizona, assistant director of chapter services; and Kristen Magnes, A/DePauw; Kathryn Stone, ZN/UC Davis; and Kimber Blanton, BZ/Oklahoma State, educational leadership consultants.

John Carroll University is a private Jesuit school located in University Heights, a residential suburb east of Cleveland, Ohio. The school was founded in 1886, rests on 60 acres, and has eight residence halls and five academic buildings.

Approximately 4,300 students attend JCU and are enrolled in one of the 58 bachelors and masters degree programs.

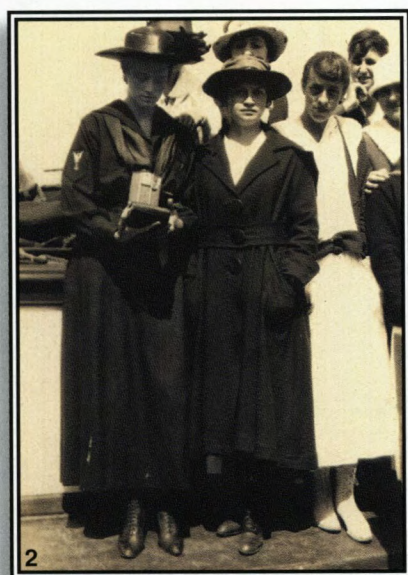
This September, five established local sorority chapters made the decision to affiliate with National Panhellenic Conference organizations. In a mutual selection process similar to the one used by our college chapters during formal recruitment, Kappa Alpha Theta affiliated with Pi Sigma Phi, a local JCU chapter. The other local groups at JCU affiliated with Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Delta, and Kappa Kappa Gamma.

In the few short months that Theta has been established at John Carroll University, its members have participated in a recruitment workshop; had a Halloween date function; participated in sisterhood events such as ice-skating; slated and approved the officers for 2002; and handed out cider, Hershey's kisses, and candy canes as a happy-holidays gesture.

The women at JCU looked forward to the spring semester as they prepared for their first formal recruitment, chapter retreat, DLC, a variety of social and service events, and so much more. The joining of John Carroll University and Kappa Alpha Theta promises to be a strong and lasting tradition.

— Kristen Magnes, A/DePauw, Educational Leadership Consultant ■





In the early years of the Fraternity, rushing (or spiking, as it was sometimes called) was a simple matter. A Theta introduced a potential new member to her sisters, they got to know one another, and—if all went well—an invitation to membership was extended. As Theta and the entire Greek system grew, however, recruitment became a more complex process. On most campuses, a week or more was set aside for rush, with unaffiliated women attending rounds of organized parties and events. These parties often involved elaborate decorations, costumes, and performances.

Beginning in the late 1980s, the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) recommended that college Panhellenic systems take steps to simplify recruitment. College Panhellenics were urged to set limits on membership recruitment expenses, eliminate outside decorations, discourage elaborate costumes, evaluate the length and content of skits, and cultivate conversation skills. By implementing these recommendations, college chapter members are free to get to know potential new members.

As these photographs from Theta's archives show, member recruitment has always been about discovering friends and sisters.



1 In 1904, **ALPHA's** new member class posed for a group photo.

2 Although rush parties were uncommon during Theta's early years, they became popular in the 1900s. In 1915, the **ALPHA LAMBDA CHAPTER** at **WASHINGTON** held a floating recruitment event aboard a boat!

3 By the 1970s, skits were frequently part of formal recruitment. Two members of the **BETA SIGMA CHAPTER** at **SMU** performed in costume for potential new members.

4 New members of the **EPSILON CHI CHAPTER** at **GUELPH** proudly displayed their new Theta T-shirts and pledge pins in 1987.



# FRATERNITY 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2000-JUNE 30, 2001

History will forever remember 2001 for the horrific events of September 11. As we look back at the year, we realize that our world view has been forever altered, and we mourn with those affected by the tragedies in New York City, Pennsylvania, and Washington, DC.

At the same time, we are also filled with hope and pride. We continue to be inspired by the courage and commitment of firefighters, police, and ordinary citizens, including members of Kappa Alpha Theta. Alumnae and collegians donated blood, participated in fund-raising efforts, and-through the Friendship Fund-offered aid and comfort to the Thetas directly affected by the World Trade Center disaster. In a time of adversity, we realized anew the value of our sisterhood.

The strength of our sisterhood in Kappa Alpha Theta is tangibly demonstrated by the accomplishments and achievements that are enumerated in this annual report. The Fraternity grew through the addition of three active college chapters, one alumnae chapter, and almost 4,000 initiated members. More than 1,100 undergraduates achieved straight As for at least one school term, and 28 of our college chapters achieved number-one scholarship status on their campuses. Our alumnae and college officers gained knowledge and training at officers' and district leadership conferences. Theta provided support to our chapters, to our members, and to our philanthropy, CASA.

The year 2001 marked the 131st anniversary of Theta's birth. In creating the first Greek-letter fraternity for women, our founders displayed strength, courage, and perseverance, virtues that will continue to stand us—and Kappa Alpha Theta—in good stead.

Loyally,

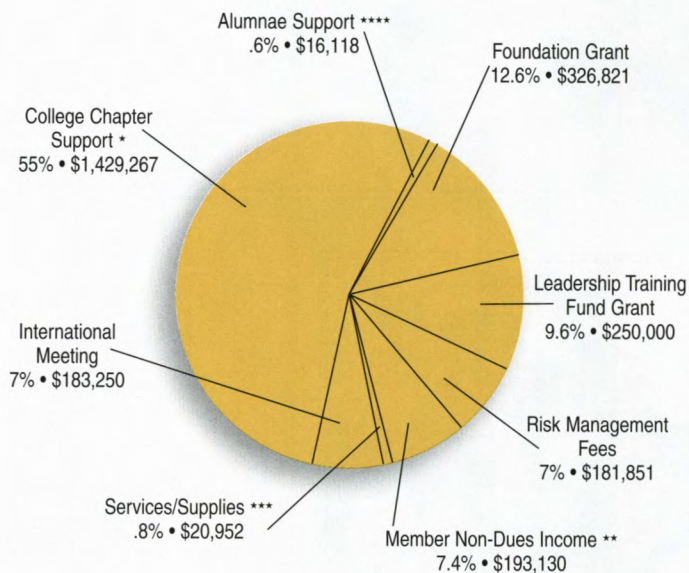
*Mary Jane Parker Beach*

Mary Jane Parker Beach, Fraternity President  
BN/Florida

## 2000-2002 GRAND COUNCIL

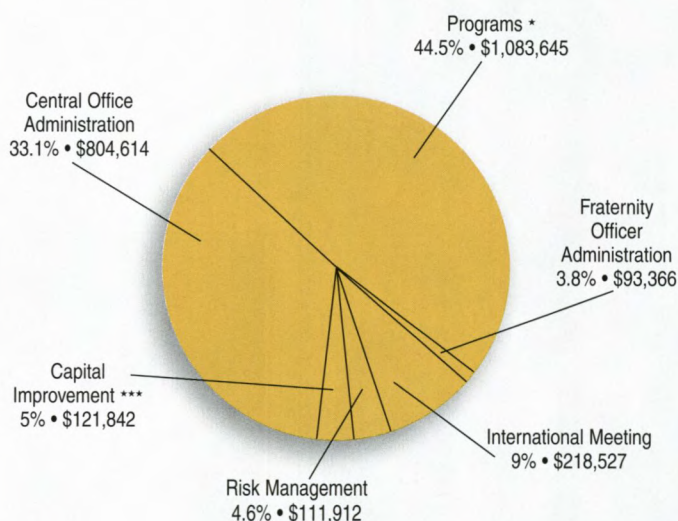
Mary Jane Parker Beach	Kathryn Wynn Salvemini
Linda Beck Pieplow	Karen Albrecht Ledbetter
Jane Shepherd Dick	Katie Busby Morrow
Ann Mercer Varey	Anne Sadler Budill

## GENERAL TREASURY INCOME TOTAL \$2,601,389



- ★ Initiation, per capita, & chapter services fees, etc.
- ★★ Pansy Peddler sales, jewelry commission, affinity charge card, etc.
- ★★★ Publications, labels/printouts, member links, etc.
- ★★★★ Chapter & club dues & voluntary individual alumnae fees

## GENERAL TREASURY EXPENSE\*\* TOTAL \$2,433,906



- ★ Magazine, Educational Leadership Consultants, TAA, chapter computers, etc.
- ★★ Percent of total toward educational programs is 36.2%
- ★★★ Computer system, remodeling



## 2001 FRATERNITY STATISTICS

Active College Chapters	124
Active Alumnae Chapters	77
Active Alumnae Clubs	163
Total Initiated Members	190,254
College Chapters Closed	ZK/South Carolina

*This annual report provides information on Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity and Foundation programs during 2001 (January 1-December 31). The financial information for the Fraternity, however, pertains to fiscal 2000-2001 (July 1, 2000-June 30, 2001). And readers should also note that some scholarship, ELC and Talking About Alcohol information pertains to the 2000-2001 academic year. Financial information for the Foundation begins on page 16.*

### GROWTH

The Fraternity celebrated the establishment of two new college chapters, the re-installation of a disestablished chapter, and the founding of a new alumnae chapter in 2001.

In March, we welcomed the Eta Iota Chapter at the University of San Diego. With assistance from members of the Zeta Rho Chapter at UC San Diego and the Zeta Omega Chapter at Loyola Marymount, 83 collegians were initiated. Founded in 1949, USD is a Catholic university located on a 180-acre campus in the center of San Diego. The university includes schools of arts and sciences, business administration, education, law, and nursing and health science.

In November, the Beta Theta Chapter was re-established on the campus of the University of Idaho after a 15-year hiatus. Forty-five charter



members were initiated, with collegians from the Eta Eta Chapter at Albertson and the Alpha Sigma Chapter at Washington State assisting the installation team. Founded originally in 1920, Beta Theta has a long and distinguished history. More than 1,100 members of the chapter, including six district officers, two Foundation trustees, and two members of Grand Council, have loyally served Theta.

November also saw the installation of the Eta Kappa Chapter at John Carroll University in University Heights, Ohio (a suburb of Cleveland). JCU is a private liberal arts school with approximately 4,000 students. Forty members of Pi Sigma Phi, a local sorority with a 10-year history, were initiated into the Fraternity. At about the

same time, the four other local groups on the JCU campus affiliated with Kappa Kappa Gamma, Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta, and Kappa Delta.

At a Founders Day luncheon in February, more than 100 Thetas celebrated the installation of the Tampa Bay Alumnae Chapter in Florida. Approximately 50 members of the new group signed the charter.

### OFFICERS' CONFERENCE AND DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES

More than 100 international, district, and special officers attended the annual Kappa Alpha Theta Officers' Conference in July in Indianapolis. The theme of the weekend gathering was "Thetas Together: Communication." Sessions focused on organizational communication, Fraternity trends, volunteer appreciation and retention, confrontation skills, and the ethics and etiquette of verbal and written communication.

The 2001 District Leadership Conferences (DLCs) took place in Atlanta; Dallas; Farmington, Conn.; Indianapolis; Los Angeles; Omaha; Pittsburgh; Portland; and Washington, DC. Participants included college chapter presidents, vice-presidents finance, recruitment chairmen, and member educators, as well as other interested college chapter officers. Alumnae chapters and clubs sent their incoming presidents, and many advisers and facility corporation board members also attended. More than 30 concurrent sessions offered college officers training in budgeting and financial management, risk management issues, leadership skills, membership selection and recruitment, and member development. Workshops for alumnae group presidents focused on leadership skills, philanthropy and service, and member recruitment and reten-





tion, while facility corporation members studied all aspects of facility maintenance and management. Nationally recognized educational and motivational speakers discussed self-esteem, healthy relationships, confrontation skills, and professional etiquette.

## EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONSULTANTS

As ambassadors of the Fraternity, ELCs offer support, guidance, and new ideas to college chapter members, advisory and facility corporation boards, and campus administrators. They educate chap-

ters on programming and policies, as well as

on current issues facing today's college women. The 12 ELCs for 2000-2001 first met during a consultant retreat at Grand Convention 2000. They gathered again at Fraternity headquarters in July for three weeks of intensive training in every aspect of Theta's programming, policies, and procedures. Following this training, they fanned out across the continent, making approximately 400 chapter visits (Every Theta college chapter receives at least one ELC visit every year.) and also serving as based consultants at new college chapters. The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation funds 55 percent of the ELC program.



## COLLEGE CHAPTER SUPPORT

The Fraternity is committed to providing the highest possible level of both technological and personal support to 124 college chapters.

To help chapter officers manage finances, membership selection, and communications, Theta provides to each college chapter a computer, a printer, and a suite of Windows-compatible software programs. This chapter

computer program was initiated in 1999 and was designed to provide learning opportunities for our members as well as to allow Theta chapters to function effectively.

To provide a strong network of support to chapters, advisers, and facility corporation

board members, 10 to 14 volunteer officers in each district work together as a team. Team mem-

bers have expertise in Panhellenic matters, recruitment, education, finance, risk management, and alumnae issues. In addition to offering assistance to chapters on an as-needed basis, they also conduct training sessions and organize workshops.

New Theta chapters benefit from the support they receive from the district team, as well as from the attention of educational leadership consultants (ELCs) who are based on their campuses for two years. Chapters dealing with difficult issues are frequently visited by district team members and ELCs and may also benefit from the appointment of a special assistance mentor (SAM).

## SCHOLARSHIP

In 2001, the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation awarded a record \$505,860 through 142 graduate and undergraduate scholarships. The Foundation is proud to sponsor the largest scholarship program among all Greek-letter organizations.

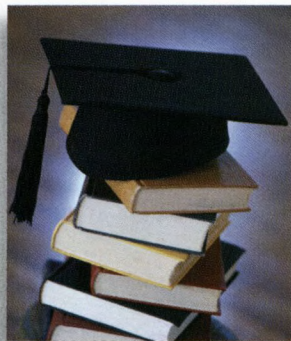
During the 2000-01 academic year, 1,122 undergraduate members achieved straight As for at least one school term. The following college chapters achieved the number-one scholarship ranking on their campuses during at least one semester during 2000-2001.



H/Michigan	ΓΣ/San Diego State
K/Kansas	ΓΧ/Fresno State
Ξ/Wesleyan	ΔΔ/Whitman
O/USC	ΔΕ/Arizona State
P/Nebraska	ΔΩ/Texas A&M
T/Northwestern	ΕΗ/Centre College
Ω/UC Berkeley	ΕΙ/Westminster
ΑΕ/Brown	ΕΛ/Dickinson
ΑΜ/Missouri	ΕΟ/Randolph Macon
ΑΟ/Oklahoma	ΕΣ/UC Irvine
ΑΡ/South Dakota	ΕΩ/Washington & Jefferson
ΑΣ/Washington State	ΖΝ/UC Davis
ΒΜ/Nevada	ΖΣ/Ohio Northern
ΓΖ/Connecticut	ΖΩ/Loyola Marymount

## CASA

In 1989, Kappa Alpha Theta chose National CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) as its official philanthropy. Over the years, the Theta/CASA relationship has continued successfully: in 2001, the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation provided \$60,000 in funding to National CASA. These funds provided education, training, and recruitment for volunteers, including publications, website development, a toll-free phone number, and the Program Director of the Year award. In April 2001, the National CASA Association







helped the millionth child since it first started in 1977. Thanks in part to Kappa Alpha Theta, these children have had an advocate to speak for them in court and to ensure that they are quickly placed in a safe, permanent environment.

## FRIENDSHIP FUND

In 2001, the Foundation received more than \$37,000 in gifts from Thetas contributing to the Friendship Fund. Most of these donations were collected at Founders Day celebrations and helped to provide gifts of \$26,000 to members experiencing extreme financial hardship due to serious or terminal illness, job loss, natural disaster, and other devastating occurrences, including the tragedy of September 11. The Friendship Fund, which was established in 1926, continues to tangibly demonstrate the love and concern we have for one another as Theta sisters.



## LEADERSHAPE

Forty-two Theta collegians, representing 34 percent of our college chapters, had the opportunity to experience the LeaderShape Institute, thanks to leadership grants that were made possible by annual fund contributions to the Foundation. The LeaderShape Institute has earned a glowing national reputation for providing an intensive and energizing program designed to produce extraordinary results in participant's organizations while also instilling a high level of integrity. In just six days, participants learn how to create a vision, build teams, implement action plans, and communicate with care and impact. One woman wrote, "There are no other words to describe my LeaderShape experience: it was simply amazing!"

## TALKING ABOUT ALCOHOL

*Talking About Alcohol* (TAA) teaches Theta collegians how to make low-risk drinking choices. The program offers nonjudgmental, relevant risk-reduction information. The goal of TAA is not simply to increase alcohol awareness but also to provide information needed to avoid alcohol-related health and impairment problems for a lifetime.

During the 2000-2001 academic year, more than 250 collegians participated in TAA, and six Thetas served as trained volunteer facilitators. TAA is partially funded by the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation.

## FRATERNITY HONORED

Each year, the college Fraternity Editor's Association (CFEA) honors achievement in fraternal publications. Entries are judged by professionals in the fields of journalism and publishing. The registration and participant materials for Grand

Convention  
2000, A  
Theta

Grand Convention 2000  
a Theta Tapestry

Tapestry, received second place in the Total Communications (Banta Scholarship) category, honoring the best communications program by an organization directed to members and/or an outside audience for a single purpose, such as a membership campaign, convention, or other effort.

"Theta in the Forefront" (*The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*, Winter 2000-2001), an article about Theta's groundbreaking fire-sprinkler initiative, received first place in the publications competition sponsored by the North American Interfraternal Foundation. This award recognizes an article or publication that is of significance to the Greek world at large and that has the potential to effect positive change.

## SERVICES ENDORSED BY KAO

Burr Patterson & Auld Company is the official jeweler of the Fraternity. They manufacture all official and accessory jewelry. Royalties from this association during the last fiscal year were just over \$120,000.

The Right Connection, doing business as The Pansy Peddler, has been our third-party merchandise vendor for six years. Royalties in 2001 were in excess of \$3,000.

MBNA America Bank manages the Fraternity's affinity charge card, while Coverdell continues to provide insurance services. Royalties from these two programs in 2001 were about \$40,000.

The Fraternity also works with National Collegiate to provide members with the Kappa Alpha Theta credit phone card. Royalties from this program were more than \$6,000 this past year.

Finally, QSP Magazine Subscription Program was used by both college chapters and alumnae groups to help defray the costs of the District Leadership Conference. Royalties from this program went directly toward the conference fees of the participating groups.





# FOUNDATION 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2000-JUNE 30, 2001

**A**WARDING SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS - that is what the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation likes to do the best and the more we do the better! Thanks to your generous donations, the Foundation awarded \$1.1 million in grants in 2001! A total of \$506,000 was awarded to 142 alumna and undergraduate Thetas for scholarship grants. To also demonstrate our commitment to sisters helping sisters, \$327,000 was awarded to the Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity in support of educational programming: speakers for district leadership conferences and Grand Convention, archives development and the traveling educational leadership consultants. Another grant, totaling \$56,000, was distributed to 36 undergraduate Thetas for leadership training at the LeaderShape Institute.



Anne Sadler Budill,  
Foundation President

The mission of the Foundation is to strengthen and empower members through philanthropy and education. We believe that we have achieved this mission in 2001.

The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation continues to lead the way among Greek organizations in the amount of dollars distributed through grant making. Our success and longevity is due to you, our supporters. The Foundation trustees and I would like to say thank you for your continued support and loyalty to the Foundation and to the Fraternity.

Loyally,

*Anne A Budill*

Anne Sadler Budill

The Foundation's donor report, a listing of the 8,000 people and organizations that made donations in 2001, is not included in this issue of *The Magazine*. The Foundation will publish and mail a donor report separately this spring.



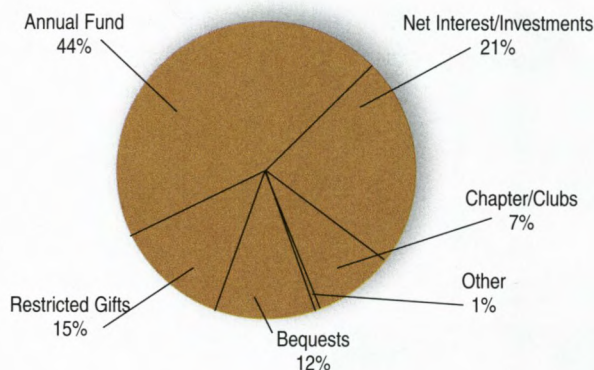
KAPPA ALPHA THETA  
FOUNDATION

## 2000-2002 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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## FOUNDATION REVENUE\*

July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001

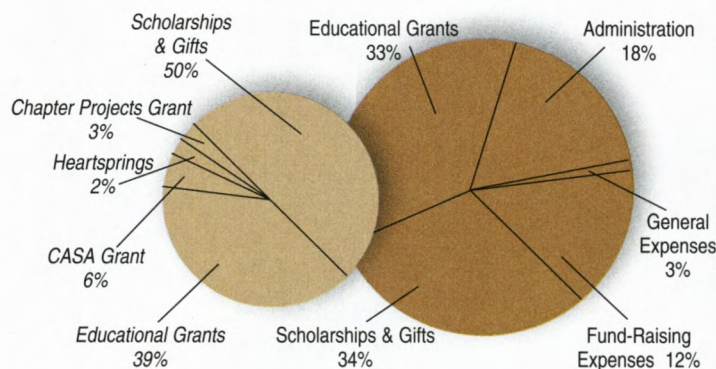


Chapters & Clubs	\$ 94,637
Chapter Projects	35,327
Annual Fund	583,870
Other Contributions	12,482
Bequests Received	161,619
Gifts to Educational Trust Fund	104,604
Named Trust Gifts	20,387
Friendship Donations	37,536
Net Investment Income	455,187
Other Revenues	1,521
Realized Loss on Sale of Investments	(173,974)
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS &amp; REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 1,333,196</b>

\*\*Not including unrealized loss of (\$ 1,485,980)

## FOUNDATION EXPENSES

July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001



Administration/Rent	\$ 289,148
General Expenses	39,368
Meetings/Trustees	14,997
Fund-raising Expenses	198,241
Scholarships	507,081
CASA Grant	60,000
Friendship Fund Gifts	26,000
Chapter Projects Grant	34,268
Educational Grants to Fraternity	326,821
DePauw Memorial Library	350
Heartsprings	21,910
Leadership Grants	53,083
Other Grants	43,018
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 1,614,285</b>



# Theta Dollars Working for Thetas

In 2000-2001, the  
Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation ...

... awarded almost \$506,000 in scholarships to 142 outstanding Theta scholars;

... through the Friendship Fund, presented almost \$26,000 to Theta alumnae experiencing financial hardship;

... granted \$327,000 to Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity to supply educational and leadership training programs;

... awarded \$43,000 from trusts to individual members, collegiate chapters and alumnae groups;

... granted \$60,000 to national CASA;

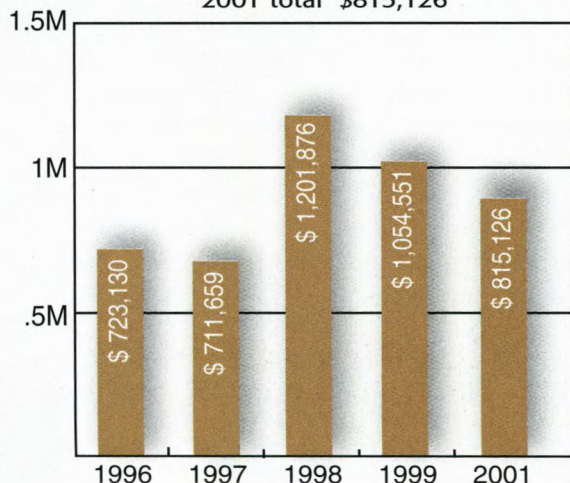
... granted \$56,000 to collegians to attend LeaderShape;

... awarded over \$1 million in total grants.

The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation is a leader in the Greek world, distributing more money through grant making than any other fraternal organization.

## ANNUAL GIVING

2001 total \$815,126



## How do my contributions benefit Kappa Alpha Theta and the Foundation?

The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation is proud to sponsor several programs. These programs use either restricted or unrestricted donations. Annual fund dollars are extremely important to the financial well-being of the Foundation and, indirectly, the Fraternity. These monies are spent on the Fraternity grant, CASA grant, individual leadership grants, and operational expenses.

Each year, the Fraternity is granted almost \$400,000 to use for educational and leadership expenses such as the ELC program, speakers for district leadership conferences and Grand Convention, archives, a risk management seminar for consultants, and the *Talking About Alcohol* program presented to college chapters.

Since Kappa Alpha Theta adopted CASA as its national philanthropy, \$30,000 per year is granted to the nation-



al organization. Leadership grants are given to collegians each year to develop their personal leadership potential and, in turn, strengthen their chapters.

Restricted grants are given in the form of educational trust funds/scholarships, named trusts, Friendship Fund gifts and gifts to Heartsprings (formerly known as the Institute of Logopedics). Endowments are set up according to the wishes of the donor. A scholarship or named trust can be established to honor or memorialize a person or group. The Foundation is honored to sponsor the largest scholarship program among all Greek organizations. In 2002, more than \$500,000 will be awarded. Almost \$50,000 in named trusts will also be given to either individuals or Theta groups for leadership or non-degree educational purposes. The Friendship Fund is used to help Theta alumnae in severe financial need.

The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation was established to be the fund-raising arm of the Fraternity. All donations made to the Foundation are tax-deductible, and this benefits the individual donor. The goal of the Foundation is to return as much of this money as possible to our membership through its grant-making capabilities. The programs endorsed by the Foundation Board of Trustees were established to do just this. Without the generous donations of individuals, alumnae chapters and clubs, and collegiate chapters, none of this would be possible. Thank you for your continued support of the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation!



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What, you ask?**

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# OUR CHAPTER IS... SPECIAL

Reports from 22 editors describe the unique qualities of their college chapters

## BETA

### Indiana

This past year for the Beta Chapter at Indiana University was filled with unforgettable memories and amazing accomplishments. Out of 18 other women's Greek groups, we were selected as the all-campus Panhellenic "Chapter of the Year." This prestigious award is based on academics, philanthropy, campus involvement and overall chapter charisma. As if this weren't enough, we were also the recipients of the Most Diverse Women's Chapter on the Indiana University Campus for the second year in a row! We are honored to be recipients of such esteemed awards and intend to uphold these titles throughout the upcoming year.

Some of the past year's activities that made us a candidate for these honorable awards included ranking second among all Greek chapters for grades in the spring semester. In addition, we also attained second place at the nation's largest intramural sporting event, the Indiana University Little 500, a bike race benefiting student academic scholarships.

In the fall, we doubled the earnings from our Philanthropy, "The Hoosier Hills Bike Tour," earning \$7,500 to benefit CASA. Members of our chapter volunteered their time and energy to help organize and run

the event along with two Theta alumnae. In addition, we also held a "Bike Rodeo" which promoted bike safety to children and families of the city of Bloomington. It was truly an amazing day!

All in all, it was a very successful year for the members of the Beta Chapter. We are looking forward to another successful and memorable year! — Jennifer Chapp

## GAMMA DEUTERON

### Ohio Wesleyan

The sisters of the Gamma Deuteron Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan University have had an exciting past semester. We were overjoyed to have been chosen to help install the new Eta Kappa Chapter at John Carroll University. Alumnae from Gamma Deuteron, as well as active members, took part in the initiation and installation services during late November. This was truly a wonderful opportunity to have been able to share such a special moment with a magnificent group of girls.

At Ohio Wesleyan, we are getting fired up about formal recruitment in January. We will sadly say farewell to 24 seniors in the spring, but we are also excited that soon we will have a new group of enthusiastic women joining us in the bonds of sisterhood. We are confident that our incoming new members

will assist in continuing to carry out the ideals and principles of our chapter and the Fraternity into the future.

— Nicole Farrell

## PHI

### Pacific

The ladies of the Phi Chapter at the University of the Pacific held our second Rock the CASA event in late September. The outdoor event featured local bands Section H, Crypt Orchid, Sandwich Mafia, and Anniston. Members of the staff and faculty judged the bands on their 45-minute performances. Section H won this year and was the definite crowd favorite.

We worked hard to collect Rock the CASA donations from many local businesses and corporations. Many businesses gave prizes that we raffled off. We also raised a lot of money by selling food to audience members. All the proceeds—\$1,200—were donated to CASA. Although only in its second year, Rock the CASA has become not only a successful philanthropy event but also a popular entertainment event for UOP students.

— Kristine Nethers

## OMEGA

### UC Berkeley

The Omega Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta had its second Parent's Weekend Extravaganza on October 13. It gave all of our members and parents a chance to get to know one another over a great meal and entertainment held in the Claremont Resort Empire Ballroom. The evening was filled with dancing, dinner, and an auction to benefit CASA. The night began with a social hour, allowing for mingling

and music. A current Theta, Hilary Baker, played jazz with her band "First Circle." After dinner, everyone danced to the great live music and participated in an auction.

Our signature philanthropic effort for the year is our "Men of Cal" Calendar! We have put together a calendar featuring various groups of men from the UC Berkeley campus, highlighting IFC presidents; ASUC officers; NPHC members; the Men's Octet; ROTC; and the football, rugby, water polo, and crew teams. For more information or to order the Men of Cal Calendar, please write to us at 2723 Durant Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94704 Attn: Men of Cal Calendar Sale, or see our chapter website: [www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~cal-theta](http://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~cal-theta)

— Lin Hsu



An Alpha Eta tradition is the performance of a signature dance called Stomp, which has been performed by chapter members for countless years.

## ALPHA ETA

### Vanderbilt

Each fall, our chapter has a campus-wide barbecue fund-raiser benefiting CASA. The country theme of a barbecue is quite fitting for Vanderbilt because Nashville,



Tenn., is well-known as the home of Country music. The event is always a huge success, with hundreds of students, parents, and friends in attendance.

What makes the barbecue so unique, however, is that chapter members always perform the Alpha Eta signature dance, called Stomp, which has been performed in our chapter for years. Dressed in cowboy boots and hats, the girls have so much fun entertaining the crowds with this wild and crazy dance tradition. The overall experience is quite rewarding in more ways than one, but perhaps the most special part is coming together to work for such a wonderful cause.

— Lee Young

## ALPHA THETA

Texas

What makes the Alpha Theta Chapter so special and unique is the individuality of each member. Although we have a commonality of being "Thetas," you can see a certain uniqueness about each Theta girl. We have tons of members from across the state of Texas, many from out of state, and even some whose families live outside the US. With a chapter that comprises more than 200 members, we exemplify the idea that "Everything Is Bigger in Texas."

Every girl in our chapter is here because she wants to be, and it definitely shows when you hear a member of Alpha Theta speak. We are so proud and truly understand what a privilege it is to be a Kappa Alpha Theta. Not only are the members of this chapter a family of support while attending UT, members of our chapter are truly friends for life!

— Jill George



Katie Sullivan and Jenny Schotes, of the Delta Zeta Chapter at Emory, cut and cleaned lettuce in preparation for lunch at Project Open Hand in Atlanta.

## ALPHA LAMBDA

Washington

After all my time in this chapter, it is still hard for me to describe why it has such a special place in my heart. It could be because I have had more fun in the last four years than ever before. It could be because I have indeed become friends with people who will be in my wedding. It could be because of the leadership positions available that I have taken. It could be because we are regarded in our Greek system as fun, beautiful, independent women who have their acts together. It could be because we win awards on this campus.

It could be, and partially is, because of all of those things. But more importantly, Alpha Lambda is special to me because of the amazing women who walk through these doors every day. Ever since my first day here as a freshman, I have never stopped being in awe of the women I live with. I am consistently inspired by their hearts that give unconditional love, desires that drive them to success, senses of humor that make my stomach ache from laughing so hard, ability to find joy and fun in life, and genuine friendship that they give so freely. These girls support and encourage me like I have never known. I could

write pages and pages on how my life has been changed by the people I have lived with and time I have spent

here at Theta.

As I am approaching graduation, my wish would be that every Alpha Lambda would know how amazing she is and how valued her contributions are. My life has been changed by these women, and it is through sharing the joys and sorrows of friendship that I have found out how special my chapter is.

— Kristen Bushnell

## ALPHA PI

North Dakota

Homecoming events for the Alpha Pi Chapter consisted of the annual homecoming parade, brunch at the Theta house, and an evening social for alumnae, friends, and family. It was Alpha Pi's 90th homecoming, which was special enough in itself, but for one Theta, the day would be even more special.

As alumnae relations chairman, I had been busy coordinating homecoming plans for three months. I had also been carrying 21 credits as a communications major and working as a selling manager at Marshall Fields. Meanwhile, Brad, my boyfriend of five years had been trying to find the right moment to ask me to marry him.

At the homecoming social, he enlisted the help of my mom, Daryce Van Hoff; the Grand Forks alumnae

chapter president, Melissa Balient; and my dear Alpha Pi friends, Susie Peterka and Kristianne Neeser. They put their heads together and, by staging a Theta sing-along, were able to give Brad the perfect opportunity to "pop the question."

It was a special moment that proved the adage that joy increases with the sharing. Without the Thetas of Alpha Pi, one guy might still have a ring in his pocket.

— Audra Van Hoff

## ALPHA RHO

South Dakota

Scholarship is an important part of belonging to Kappa Alpha Theta, but the Alpha Rho Chapter has often taken that to a higher level. For the 22nd consecutive semester, Theta has had the highest GPA of all the Greek chapters on the University of South Dakota campus.

According to Bonnie Brown, the Fraternity's education and training director, no other Kappa Alpha Theta chapter has had the highest GPA on its campus for more consecutive semesters than Alpha Rho. Our cumulative GPA for the spring 2001 semester was 3.39; the fall 2000 GPA was 3.29.

Alpha Rho's accomplishment has not gone unnoticed. For many years, we have received the award for top scholarship at the Greek awards ceremony held following Greek Week each spring.

— Lauri Kruse

## BETA GAMMA

Colorado State

The Beta Gamma Chapter has had an extremely busy fall semester. We began the term with a fantastic group of new members, women who will help make our chapter strong.

We continued with strong



service activities, including a new annual event titled "Footbrawl," consisting of a flag football tournament with all of the fraternities on our campus. The campus fraternities were excited and had as much fun as our chapter, and we eagerly look forward to next year's philanthropy event. Women in our chapter also continued their service work with Adopt-a-School, a Brownie troop, and Junior Achievement.

Service wasn't the only activity keeping members of Beta Gamma busy, as individuals continued their full, sometimes rigorous, course loads as well as participated in a multitude of extra-curricular activities, including the CSU equestrian team, Panhellenic council, editing for the newspaper, student government, and hectic work schedules.

Beta Gamma is proud of all our exceptional members, and looks forward to another exciting semester.

— Lindsay Sell

## BETA ZETA

Oklahoma State

No Theta chapter would be complete without a concern and dedication to others. The Beta Zeta chapter participated in several service

projects during the fall semester. The most successful project was the annual CASA fund-raiser, Theta Rocks the CASA. Tickets were sold the week before the show and at the door. More than 800 people attended the show, and we raised more than \$6,250 for Stillwater's CASA chapter. Since Theta Rocks the CASA began in 1999, it has raised more than \$17,000 for the local CASA chapter.

For Halloween, the Thetas cosponsored "House of Treats" with Phi Delta Theta. Members transformed the entire Phi Delt house into a Halloween extravaganza! The third floor was a creepy haunted house, the second floor had trick-or-treating in every room, and the first floor featured an animal exhibit. A canned good allowed anyone from the community to enter. From our house of treats, about 600 canned food items were donated to the Harvest II food drive.

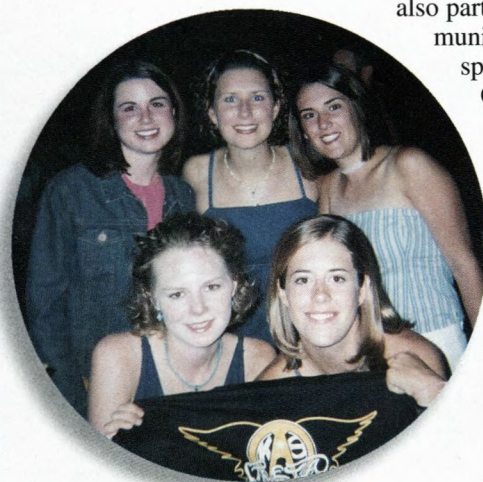
In addition to Theta's service projects, members also showed their encouragement for other groups' philanthropies by participating in and support events for Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Phi, and Zeta Beta Tau. We've

also participated in community service events sponsored by

Oklahoma State.

We realize that what makes any Theta special is her love and concern for others.

— Celena Baker



Members of the Beta Zeta Chapter at Oklahoma State display a Rock the CASA T-shirt while selling tickets for the event.

## BETA ETA

Pennsylvania

The Beta Eta Chapter at the University of Pennsylvania is special because of our diverse group of talented, well-rounded sisters and their many wonderful accomplishments.

Whitney Miller is currently studying in Japan as a Fulbright Scholar. Two of the captains of Penn's varsity lacrosse team are Thetas, Traci Marabella, who earned honorable mention All-American, and Whitney Horton. Beta Etas are also members of Penn's women's varsity field hockey team, swim team, and volleyball team. Lindsey Mathews is the chairman of the student committee on undergraduate education.

We have also been active in helping the nationwide relief effort for victims of September 11. We are participating in Change for Change, which involves collecting spare change from all our sisters throughout the year and donating this to relief organizations. We are also hosting an all-Greek coffeehouse, with proceeds going to the relief effort. The coffeehouse features numerous on-campus performing arts groups, including dance troupes, a capella singing groups, and improvisational acting groups.

Ten members of Beta Eta belong to these various performing arts groups. Beta Eta is proud to have such a diverse group of sisters who are intelligent, talented, service-minded, and most of all, supportive of one another.

— Kim Rittberg

## BETA RHO

Duke

In the wake of the September 11 tragedies, members of the Beta Rho Chapter participated in a campus-wide relief effort. All the student organizations came together to collect donations, and we held two large parties in which 90 percent of the proceeds went to the United Way's relief fund and 10 percent went to Duke alumni who were physically or financially impacted by the disaster.

— Stephanie Imbalzano

## BETA PHI

Penn State

The sisters of the Beta Phi Chapter have been busy with football games, Greek Sing, homecoming, Penn State's dance marathon, and just having fun with one another over the past few months! Our new members worked hard to put on an amazing production of Copacabana for Greek Sing with the help of the Delta Upsilon brothers.

We then geared up for a successful campaign of raising money for Dance Marathon with Delta Sigma. All the proceeds from Dance Marathon go to the Hershey Medical Center for children with cancer. The money we raise goes specifically to a child named Levi and his family, to help cover his hospital costs.

Then it was time for our first annual Kappa Palloosa, a wonderful function including Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Delta, and of course us (and our dates).

So far we have had an amazing semester and look forward to the months ahead.

— Jordan E. Winters

## GAMMA MU

Maryland

The Gamma Mu Chapter at the University of Maryland



was awarded the President's Cup for 2000-2001. This prestigious award is given to an outstanding Panhellenic sorority on campus that "... best envisions the ideals of the Greek system."

We were also recognized for our service with the Best Community Service Programming Award. Last semester, we held a pudding wrestling match to raise money for CASA. Many students participated and shared some laughs. This semester we have participated in the Help the Homeless Walk and America Reads, took St. Anne's kids trick-or-treating, and made sandwiches and delivered them to a shelter in Washington, DC.

— Tricia Baker

## DELTA SIGMA

Ball State

Preparations for fall recruitment began the day we returned from summer break and continued right up through the beginning of October. We strayed from our traditional Annie skit for the third round of recruitment this year and instead transformed our suite into a



At Bid Day 2001, members of the Delta Sigma Chapter at Ball State posed for a group photo. The chapter welcomed 26 new members.

Disco Dreamland. Guests were entertained by a hilarious skit and music such as "Stayin' Alive" and "I Will Survive."

All the hard work definitely paid off! We welcomed 26 new members into the Delta Sigma Chapter.

— Lindsey Young

## DELTA OMEGA

Texas A&M

Parent's Weekend has been a tradition at Texas A&M University since 1919, and is held every spring to thank Aggie parents for their support and generosity. That weekend is especially important to the Delta Omega Chapter as we host our annual Theta 5K benefiting CASA and Scottie's House.

On November 17, we held our first Theta Parent's Weekend, where "All Roads Lead to Theta." We had a brunch and featured a slide show to let our parents view this semester's activities. That evening we showed our support to those girls performing in Song Fest. The judges were just as pleased with their performance, awarding them second place. We were very excited!

Too often we get so caught up in our own lives that we never get a chance to fully express our

gratitude towards those we love. Our Theta Parent's Weekend was a nice way for our chapter to acknowledge all that our families have done for us and simply say, "Thank you!"

— Lindsay Rumohr

## EPSILON IOTA

Westminster

Thetas everywhere share many common goals, beliefs, and rituals, but each chapter is unique in its own way. In the Epsilon Iota Chapter at Westminster College in Missouri, we take great pride in our recruitment activities.

Recruitment at Westminster consists of parties in which each chapter uses skits to promote their sorority. We're especially proud of our first party skit, entitled *Theta Night Live*.

The skit opens with a brief welcome from the recruitment chair. Next come the Spartan Cheerleaders, "Craig" and "Arianna." The scene moves to "Mary Catherine Gallagher" playing a nervous potential new member. Next up are those Polish-sausage-loving Chicago natives, the "Superfans," who sit decked out in Theta gear and rave about "Da Thetas." The skit ends with the recruitment chair thanking the cast for a great show.

We have gotten nothing but positive feedback from all who have seen the skit. We

feel that creativity and originality help make our chapter special.

— Ann Kemper

## EPSILON UPSILON

Columbia

As a chapter from a university in New York, every individual in our chapter was deeply affected by the tragic events of September 11. Being physically close to the events, we were able to smell the smoke as we stepped outside and realized that we were a part of these news-breaking events, and that it was undeniable and unavoidable. Not only was the World Trade Center a major financial institution, but it was also representative of the power and integrity of New York. I remember running up the stairs of our house frantically and crowding into a room with several sisters, each of us embracing each other as we stared at the smoke from the fallen twin towers on our TV. Words such as "hijacked," "terrorists," and "death toll" were tossed around like simple, common terms. It was a surreal moment: we could not believe that this had happened just a hundred blocks down from us. The line between reality and nightmare was blurry; were we watching the previews for the next Hollywood action movie, or were we really watching the news?

Our entire chapter participated in the Columbia Allied Relief Efforts (C.A.R.E.) Fair with a fraternity, Delta Sigma Phi, where we sold red, white and blue ribbons and cookies. We raised about \$200 for the Red Cross in less than four hours, and a corporate sponsor donated another \$200 to our funds. Many of us also volunteered



Melissa Cohen and Corin Gorla, who served as presidents of the Gamma Mu Chapter at Maryland in 2000-2001, pose with the prestigious President's Cup, which was awarded to their chapter.



under the "COVER" tent on Columbia's College Walk, the center for accepting and sorting relief supplies.

We donated blood to the local hospitals. We baked and gave cookies to the workers of the local hospital. In addition, we signed and decorated a banner for the local fire station and presented it to them in order to honor those who had helped at Ground Zero as well as those who had passed away.

We volunteered at Ground Zero, offering food and water to the workers. Being

## EPSILON PHI

### Chicago

When I heard about the opportunity to write about why my chapter was special, I was so excited! Although we are a smaller sized chapter (about 50 members) at a school that doesn't really have a Greek system or a supportive administration, we still manage to attract quality girls who do amazing things. The best part about it is that after they become sisters, they continue to be just as committed to all of their

really are as sassy as our website claims. The best thing about this chapter of Theta, besides the immense talent of its members, is how each and every Theta finds time in her busy schedule to be an amazing sister. That is why Kappa Alpha Theta has been and will continue to be fabulous organization.

— Megan Driscoll

## ZETA ETA

### Wofford College

The sisters of the Zeta Eta Chapter had an exciting year of "firsts" for 2001! Last spring we held our first "Say What Theta-oke," a karaoke contest for CASA. Sisters helped gather local community and campus sponsors to donate money or prizes for the contest; sisters also helped to publicize the event, sign up singing acts, and even sing as participants in the contest as well! We not only raised more than \$600 for CASA, but we also helped express to the rest of our campus how important our philanthropy is to our chapter. After pulling off this first event, we plan to make it even bigger and better this spring.

We also met quota for the first time in our chapter's twelve-year history during Recruitment 2001. On Bid Day, we welcomed 29 new members. As a special surprise for our new members,

On bid day, members of the Zeta Eta Chapter at Wofford waited to greet their new members.

we had two stretch limos pull up to take them to a local park where we had a get-acquainted picnic.

As we look back on this amazing year, our chapter is able to see how our dreams and visions have turned into reality. Our bond of sisterhood continues to strengthen, and we know that by working together and dreaming "big" we can achieve whatever we envision in the future for our chapter!

— Jennie Blackledge

## ZETA MU

### MIT

In No-venber, the Zeta Mu Chapter held a dance arcade fund-raiser, Theta PSX, for the Boston CASA chapter. This is the fourth year for the event, and it becomes more successful each year.

We made a special effort this year to involve local and campus communities in our event. These efforts definitely paid off: we were able to



Members of the Epsilon Upsilon Chapter at Columbia.

at Ground Zero, we were astonished at the mass of people who were helping to gather, sort and offer food, clothes and water. It seemed that the entire New York City community came together to offer support and relief, and most importantly, love. Although at times we felt helpless, as a strong, unified chapter, we expressed our care and concern by volunteering and offering as much aid as possible for the workers and the victims of this unthinkable tragedy.

— Christine Suk

other activities as they were before. Because of this, we have the added dimension of diversity in our chapter. Thetas at the University of Chicago are varsity athletes, peer mediators, debate society members, Model United Nations members, student government representatives, Honor Society members, and perform with a capella groups and comedy troupes. Since we all support one another in our various endeavors, every member of Theta becomes exposed to activities that they would never have considered joining otherwise.

The sisters of Epsilon Phi

A dance arcade was a successful CASA fund-raiser for the Zeta Mu Chapter at MIT. The chapter donated more than \$3,000 to the Boston CASA chapter.







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Thetas from the Zeta Rho Chapter at UC San Diego participated in a "human flag" at Qualcomm Stadium on November 11. They posed for this photo with San Diego County firefighters.

collect more than \$2,500 in prizes from businesses and shops in the area. All prizes were given away to students who attended the event. Members of the MIT community also supported our event by donating more than 80 televisions and game systems for the night.

The contributions from the community and the hard work of our chapter resulted in a fantastic fund-raiser. We had more than 700 people in attendance and raised more than \$3,000 for CASA. We are extremely proud to be able to make this donation to CASA and to have boosted Theta spirit within our chapter.

— Sheila Viswanathan

### ZETA NU

UC Davis

Zeta Nu started the 2001 school year off with a bang! We were very excited to have met quota during recruitment with wonderful new girls. The "new mems," as they are affectionately called, were introduced to our chapter's bonds and interesting quirks when our house went on a traveling retreat to three different members' homes in the area. Each house had an excited group of girls waiting for them, as well as some yummy treats.

At Zeta Nu, we are proud to say that we have had the top Panhellenic GPA for the past 6 quarters. Our scholarship chairman, Kristin Heinen, introduced a new scholarship program this year wherein members receive "Bettie

Bucks" (after Bettie Locke Hamilton) for outstanding scholastic effort. Those who worked very hard earned an invitation to our first scholarship dinner, where there was good food and special surprises. One of our members received two free tickets to Disneyland!

The scholarship dinner was quite a bit different from our etiquette dinner, organized by our vice-president education, Jennifer Carr. At this dinner we learned about formal place settings, good table manners, and proper etiquette. Meanwhile, our service chairman, Ellie Sherman, worked hard to plan our philanthropy event. It's called "Rock the CASA," and a number of local bands are invited to come and battle it out for the top spot. With the support of the students and our community it is going to be a great success.

— Tracy Miesen

### ZETA RHO

UC San Diego

Last November, the Zeta Rho Chapter participated in a philanthropic "human flag" and patriotism rally at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego. Many members of our chapter met at the early hour of 4:00 am and caravaned to the stadium.

— Lindsay Laws



# LEADERS FOR TOMORROW



BY PARTICIPATING IN THE  
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ELECTION PROCESS,  
EVERY THETA CAN  
IMPACT THE  
FRATERNITY'S FUTURE

*Editor's note: Any questions about Grand Council service or the nomination process may be addressed to Jane Hedges, author of this article. She may be reached at 7624 Highmont St., Dallas, TX 75230; 214-987-0759. Recommendations and other information should be sent directly to Fraternity Headquarters, attention Nominating Committee, before **May 15, 2002**.*

June 2002 will be a very special month for Kappa Alpha Theta! We will meet in Orlando for our biennial Convention to set our course for the next two years.

One of the most significant decisions will be our choice of leaders for 2002-2004. Members of Theta's Grand Council make policy, set direction, act on our behalf between Conventions – lead our fraternity both internally and as we relate to the world at large. A significant source of the excellence that sets us apart is the quality of women who are willing to give their time and talents with great generosity to this task of leadership. The officers of our Fraternity are our voice on campuses, in communities, in the larger Greek world. They represent the best of who we are as women and as Greeks.

Service on Council is truly a privilege. The excellent support from our outstanding professional staff and from the network of volunteers serving as district and special officers enable Council members to step back from regular operations to see the longer view – and create the larger vision. These seven women carry with their privilege the special responsibility which requires that they be self-starters, team players, and venturesome decision-makers. They should be able to take criticism and be willing to stretch and take risks. A major challenge is to remember that the good of the whole is the standard – not the pleasing of individuals.

The first task at Convention will be the election of nine women – five college chapter presidents and four alumnae chapter presidents – to serve as the Nominating Committee. This selection

will be done at district meetings at the beginning of Convention. During the course of Convention, committee meetings will be held to select a slate of the most qualified women among those who have made themselves available for service. The committee will read, study, and discuss the recommendations, comments, and other information provided by candidates, their colleagues, their Fraternity supervisors, Fraternity staff, and their friends.

Information requested from candidates includes their personal vision for the future of the Fraternity and their ideas and plans, if elected. I am delighted that our nomination process now asks such information from candidates as well as their perception of their own strengths and weaknesses and the Council positions for which they feel especially suited – or not suited! Even more, I am pleased that all information received is shared with the full Committee.

The nominating process can be confusing and even frustrating at times. But, as chairman, I pledge that our 2002 deliberations will be guided by the aims of our Fraternity, particularly seeking to practice the widest influence for good and the love of our Moral Code. I challenge all who participate – writing recommendations, making themselves available, serving on the Committee, sharing insights – to hold these aims in mind. They have served us well for more than 130 years.

— Jane Kent Hedges, BΣ/SMU  
Nominating Committee Chairman

Nominating Committee deliberations are private. Information received is held in confidence by the chairman, secretary, and committee members and is destroyed at the conclusion of deliberations. Each Theta who submits information of any kind can feel secure in the knowledge that she can share her honest evaluations and thoughts. In that light, anyone interested in providing substantive information for the process is urged to do so.

Consider qualified Thetas you wish to recommend. Letters, questions, comments, and concerns are certainly welcome at any time. A Grand Council nominating form, as well as job descriptions for the various Council positions, was included in

the Winter 2001-2002 issue of *The Magazine*. This information is also available on the Theta website and by calling Fraternity headquarters.

Service to Kappa Alpha Theta has always been a personal privilege to me. I believe that whatever I do for and through the Fraternity contributes to making the world a better place for us all. I am excited about the opportunity to serve again as Nominating Committee chairman. I pledge to you that the committee will work hard to prepare a slate of the most qualified women to lead us in 2002-2004. And I urge you to participate in the process. ■



*Instinct, curiosity, and passion propel journalist,*

*author, and Middle East expert Judy Miller*

*to the world's most militant regions*

# Miller in the Middle

By Jan Schmitz Mathew, Δ/Illinois

**L**ike millions of Americans, *New York Times* senior writer and book author Judy Miller, 54, remembers exactly where she was and what she was doing the morning of Tuesday, September 11. Just moments after leaving Baxter School, where she had stopped to vote in a local election, she looked up to see the first of the Twin Towers collapse. "I was stunned, terrified," recalls Miller, Alpha Gamma/Ohio State. "In moments of severe trauma, it's interesting how the mind works. For a minute I thought it was an accident. But when I saw the second tower collapse, I knew we were being attacked."

Unlike the masses, however, Miller knew precisely the action to take in the moments following the atrocity. "Part of me wanted to run toward the towers, but I resisted my instincts and headed for the office instead. With my background, I had connections to sources in Washington, DC, who could help me understand, and I knew the bigger story was who had done this. I was on the subway, surrounded everywhere by people crying and in shock, when it hit me. *Of course*, I thought, *the World Trade Center — that's the target they tried to get before*. The attacks struck me as a type of horrible continuum."

In the weeks following September 11, Miller appeared on numerous television shows, including *Good Morning America*, *The Today Show*, and *Oprah* as an expert on the Middle East. She shared insights from twenty years spent covering terrorism in the region, and, whenever possible, offered reassurance to a nation in shock.

Miller also recounted a chilling experience that put her dangerously close to Osama bin Laden's terrorist network. In August 2000, she visited Afghanistan at the invitation of the Taliban, who wanted to prove their training camps were not experimental sites for chemicals and poisons. Rather than allay her fears, however, the trip aroused Miller's suspicions, particularly when she was refused entrance to an eastern Afghanistan camp. Miller traveled through the country with northern Afghanistan leader Ahmed Shah Masoud, who was assassinated by the Al Qaeda

on September 9, two days before the New York City attacks.

"Masoud and I flew around Afghanistan in Soviet-era helicopters that had open air fuel tanks and leaky pipes sealed with masking tape," recalls Miller. "Despite the cold, I sat there sweating profusely—knowing I was riding in a terrible death trap. It occurred to me, for a moment, that no story was worth it."

The cost was high, but the experience—as well as the resulting story—were memorable. "Ahmed Shah Masoud was fascinating, charismatic, and a man who had learned from his mistakes," Miller says. "He would loved to have seen the liberation of his country."

Although many of her experiences pack more high-stakes action than a James Bond movie, Miller sees risk as "part of the territory." She considers herself adventurous, rather than brave, and describes her job as one composed of "... twelve-hour, unglamorous days spent making dozens of calls to people who don't want to, or who are afraid to, talk to me."

Her international travels are extensive and unpredictable. When she's in the United States, Miller divides her time between New York City and Washington, DC, offices, writing primarily about national security issues. "I consider the fact that I'm a journalist my most significant accomplishment," says Miller, who lives in Lower Manhattan. "I continue to meet interesting people, and I'm usually surprised by what I find."

## An Instinctive Journey

Two words served as the catalyst for Judith Miller's distinguished career in journalism. Those two words were *Judith Miller*. "I was hooked the first time I saw my byline," Miller says, "and I am forever indebted to the *New Republic* for publishing some of my first pieces." Although her debut article was a "not terribly exciting" legal piece on secrecy and disclosure, the topic proved Miller could craft a career that combined her love of policy and foreign affairs with her passion for writing.

Travel was an early discovery as



well. Born in New York City, Miller grew up in Miami and Los Angeles, graduating with honors from Hollywood High School. She next ventured to the Midwest and Columbus, where she attended Ohio State University from 1965 to 1967 and discovered a Theta "home."

"Among a campus population of 40,000, a built-in support network was terribly important," Miller recalls. "Theta combined pride in intellectual achievement with the idea that there was also more to life than excelling at academics. This credo was built into how the house was organized, and everyone was very supportive of one another."

"I met many of my closest friends through Theta, and I occasionally encounter sorority sisters in my travels. They're all still doing very interesting things, and it's amazing how little they've changed."

Following her sophomore year, Miller transferred from Ohio State to Barnard College and the Institute of European Studies at the University of Brussels. She received a bachelor's degree in economics from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School in 1972—along with a life-changing experience.

"I was supposed to travel to Saigon in 1971 to write about the country's housing situation from an economist's perspective," Miller recalls. "But, close to departure, the school decided Saigon wasn't a safe place to be, so they sent me to Jerusalem instead."

"I remember driving to Jerusalem and arriving just as the sun rose. I saw a woman on a donkey, dressed in Palestinian clothes and carrying straw to the old part of the city. I looked to the other side of the city and saw Israeli high rises. When the sunlight hit the city and the white Jerusalem stone, I felt like I had seen this place before. Visually, I felt very comfortable and, intellectually, I was intrigued by the juxtaposition of modern and old, and by the country's all-engrossing conflict."

Miller finished her assignment, but her 'real' work was just beginning.

She stayed on for about six weeks, traveling to Cyprus, Jordan, and Lebanon. "I returned to Woodrow Wilson determined to specialize in the

Middle East—to learn more about it, and to write all I could."

Trusting her instincts and dedicated to her mission, Miller began her career as Washington bureau chief of *The Progressive* magazine, a Wisconsin-based monthly and the nation's second oldest journal. She also was heard regularly on National Public Radio and freelanced for numerous publications.

Miller joined the *New York Times* in 1977 as a member of its Washington Bureau, where she covered the banking and securities industries, the House and Senate, national politics, foreign affairs—with a special emphasis on the Middle East—and nuclear proliferation issues.

A breakthrough came six years later, when Miller became the first woman to be named chief of *The Times*' Cairo bureau in Egypt, where she was responsible for covering the Arab world.

"The women of *The New York Times* had filed a class-action lawsuit against the paper for discrimination, and I was promoted along with a lot of other women to help settle the case," Miller says. "Many of them did not survive, but I did. And being a woman in the Middle East actually helped. People were often nicer to me than they would have been to my male colleagues."

In 1986, Miller left the Middle East to become *The Times*' correspondent in Paris, traveling throughout Europe and North Africa. One year later, she returned to Washington as news editor and deputy chief of the Washington bureau.

During the Gulf War in 1990, Miller was again drawn to the Middle East—this time as the paper's special correspondent to the Persian Gulf. After the war, she served as *The Times*' Sunday Magazine's special correspondent, writing on numerous domestic and foreign affairs topics, including the Middle East.

"Through the years, I've recognized the differences in my writing," Miller says. "Initially, I was very careful about what I wrote and what I thought. I walked into a huge, complex situation with very naïve, and very American, attitudes. *Resolution to the Middle East conflicts should be very easy, very rational*, I thought, if every-



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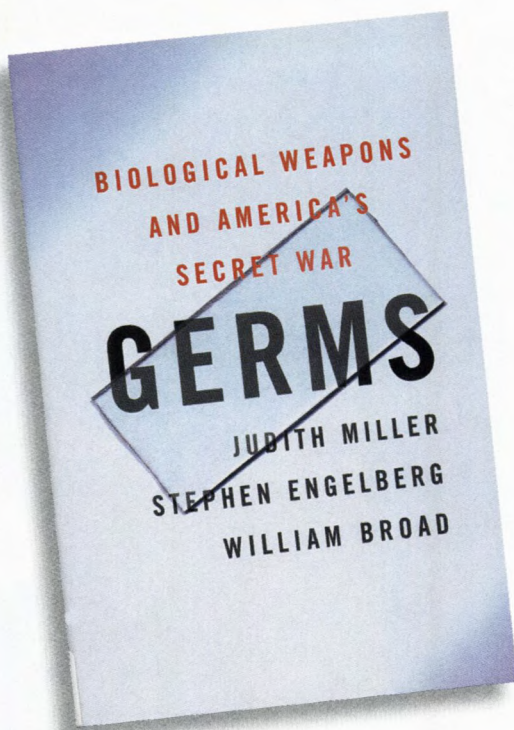
one would just sit down together and communicate.

"In the beginning, I had all the right instincts, but not a lot of knowledge."

## The Rest Of Her Stories

Despite decades of information-gathering, some answers elude her, Miller admits. But rather than concede, she's used these unresolved questions as groundwork for best-selling books. Miller most recently co-authored *Germes: Biological Weapons and America's Secret War*, with col-





Stephen Engelberg and William Broad. Heralded as "...a frightening and unforgettable narrative of cutting-edge science and spycraft," and "...a riveting account of the evolution of biological weapons," the events of September 11 catapulted the book to the bestseller list.

Miller also wrote *God Has Ninety-Nine Names*, an exploration of militant Islamic movements in ten Middle Eastern countries, published in 1996, and *One, By One, By One*, a highly-praised account of how people in six nations have distorted the memory of the Holocaust, published in 1990. That same year saw Miller's co-authored book, *Saddam Hussein and the Crisis in the Gulf*, the first comprehensive account of the Gulf crisis and biography of the man behind it, top *The New York Times* bestseller list.

"Books usually evolve out of my reporting—the unanswered questions, or questions that I haven't been able to answer to my satisfaction," Miller says. "Clearly, I have an interest in evil, and all of my books reflect that."

In crafting her books, Miller has relied on personal relationships and extensive interviews with numerous world leaders, including former President Bill Clinton, the late King Hussein of Jordan, and Israel's late Yitzhak Rabin. The leader she identi-

fies as her "all-time favorite" interview is Libya's Muammar Qaddafi, and excerpts from the Libya chapter in *God Has Ninety-Nine Names* recount her bizarre and unforgettable experiences and impressions.

"Qaddafi was ebullient that night. Flamboyantly attired in his best Bedouin layered look—a collarless shirt of cranberry cotton under a blue-denim vest that was covered by a camel-colored, gold-embroidered cape and topped by a salmon-colored turban—he performed brilliantly, stressing with great warmth and apparent sincerity his desire for peace and his respect for the American people. In what I later learned was a well-rehearsed speech for Western (female) journalists, he quoted Gloria Steinem and Betty Friedan.... The colonel

might have fooled some of us with his devoted family-man performance, had it not been for a second invitation when we left the tent. We were led to a nearby office building to join him for tea. Once inside, Qaddafi invited us to ask him questions individually and then disappeared into an adjacent room. One after another, we were invited into the room for our 'exclusive' interviews. But something told me to decline.... Later on, I learned what happened. The room, as narrow as a nun's cell, smelled of Givenchy, Qaddafi's favorite cologne at the time, and contained only a single bed and a television that featured nonstop scenes from the leader's speeches. Behind the closed door, a waiting Qaddafi, having slipped out of his Bedouin garb and into a baby-blue jumpsuit, had made a crude pass at each of the three women, each time without success."

In another encounter, Miller was summoned to Qaddafi's barracks and ordered to appear immediately. The leader wanted to dictate a message of condolence to the families of the Americans who had been killed earlier that day in the *Challenger* explosion: "There, watching television, was a radically different Qaddafi. His jaw sagged; his face had swollen to almost twice its normal size. His shoulders drooped, and dark rings circled his eyes.... Diplomats had told me about Qaddafi's depressions. A doctor at Tripoli's Hadra

Hospital told a diplomat he trusted that he gave the leader a potent daily cocktail of antidepressants, barbiturates, and amphetamines to combat his frequent and extreme mood fluctuations.... The incidents were important to me because they proved, at least to me, that the "Leader"—whom reporters politely referred to in print as 'quixotic,' 'erratic,' and 'mercurial'—was, in fact, insane."

## More Questions

When she reflects on life in the wake of September 11, Miller identifies with people across the country who are striving to live normally. Like them, she's resumed her routine and the activities she enjoys—swimming, snorkeling, spending time with her husband, and delving into books such as Richard Reeve's *President Nixon: Alone In The White House*.

However, Miller admits she now takes a more vigilant world view, and she believes the war on terrorism will last for years. She still stands by the insights she first shared on the Oprah Winfrey show, broadcast less than a week after the attacks:

"There is only a small minority (of Middle Easterners) that hate us and resent us for our power and what they perceive as our arrogance. They don't like our cultural presence in their countries. They want their own culture.

"They hate us because they come from societies that have failed to deliver for them. There is nothing we can do about these people that hate us, except make it much harder for them to attack us again.... We just have to be vigilant. If we are afraid, and don't go about our normal lives, they win." ■

## Books by Judith Miller

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# Vive la Variety!

Thirty-seven alumnae groups highlight their successful programs, members, and fund-raisers

## ACADIANA ALUMNAE CLUB

The Acadiana Club, in the Acadiana area of South Louisiana, was founded this year, and we are proud of our success. We immediately had 40 dues-paying members and have had extremely well attended activities. There has been something for everyone! We have had coffees, luncheons, award ceremonies, parties with the LSU actives, bus trips and guest speakers. We have taken over many alumnae recruitment duties for the LSU chapter, and they have honored us with an alumnae appreciation dinner.

Members of other Panhellenic groups comment constantly about our sisterhood and our activities. Many outstanding young women from our area pledged Theta, and our name recognition in the area was a factor in that success. Our group is very excited about 2002 and what we can do for Theta in the new year.

*Melanie Simoneaux Goudelocke, AK/LSU*

## ATLANTA ALUMNAE CHAPTER

Diversity has become a "buzz word" in our dynamic society, and it is the right way to describe what is unique about the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter (which has 360+ members representing 87 different college chapters.)

We have annual events such as the fall dinner, a Christmas coffee and the Theta/Kappa dinner. Fifty-year Thetas are always honored at Founders Day, which is a highlight for members of all ages. Young alumnae can be seen around town at comedy shows, wine tastings, and the High Museum to catch the latest exhibit. Not to be outdone, the "Old Guard" can be found the third Tuesday of

every month catching up at an area restaurant.

On the community front, we just completed our fourth Casas for CASA campaign. This year, we raised more than \$27,000 for Georgia CASA, Inc., and involved many corporate sponsors, alumnae, Georgia CASAs and collegians in the effort. It was a huge success!

We also support the collegians at Emory and Georgia. Our members serve on their advisory boards, provide an annual financial gift to both chapters, and work to supply ritual items as needed. Through the Foundation, we support two scholarships. Last, but not least, we welcomed this year's graduating class with a senior send-off at the Emory facility.

The Atlanta alumnae group draws strength from its diversity and demonstrates that Theta truly is for a lifetime.

*Christa Dell, ΔZ/Emory*

## AUSTIN ALUMNAE CHAPTER

The Austin Alumnae Chapter is a strong chapter, with three active boards (Alpha Theta advisory board, the alumnae officer board, and the Alpha Theta facility corporation board) meeting on a regular basis! Our alumnae include community vol-

unteers, high-tech professionals, local newscasters, doctors, attorneys, teachers, professors, and many other professionals dedicated and contributing to their individual fields.

Our membership drive for 2001-2002 was as successful as ever. We worked hard on recruitment efforts! A new e-mail system is keeping our members informed in a more timely manner. There are more than 1,400 alumnae in the area, and we are making every effort to keep our membership aware of new Thetas moving to town. A new section in our membership directory listed our area Theta alumnae by initiation chapter, so alumnae can now find a sister in town from their own university.

Our biggest thrill this year was giving a gift of \$15,000 to our local CASA chapter. Our annual Easter Fare and Fashions Style Show featured the Susan Dell Collection. Our fall meeting was a fabulous night hosted by Theta Nelda Laney, wife of the speaker of the Texas House of Representatives. She provided a wonderful tour, highlighting the recent renovation and restoration of the Texas State Capitol.

*Carla Beard Smyrl, AΘ/Texas*

At their fall meeting, members of the Austin Alumnae Chapter toured the restored Texas Capitol Building.



## BIRMINGHAM, MICH., ALUMNAE CHAPTER

When asked what makes our alumnae chapter special, I think of why we each became Thetas. The bonds of sisterhood felt during recruitment have grown stronger over the years. Our chapter members come from different universities, towns, and even generations, but we are held together by the bond of nobler womanhood.

2001 has been the year of the philanthropy in Birmingham. More than 25 members attended a Pampered Chef fund-raiser. The evening was filled with great Theta socializing, and we raised nearly \$200 for HAVEN! HAVEN offers support services for victims of domestic violence.

Our greatest philanthropic success was our annual holiday auction. Through the diligent efforts of Tina Battle, chapter president, local businesses donated great goodies for auction. Each Theta brought items for auction, including homemade goodies, crafts, and beautiful items. The auction paddles were in high gear, and Thetas were seen having a lot of fun! We raised more than \$1000 for our charities.

As our chapter continues to grow in membership, we grow in sisterhood.

*Michele Van Hooser Berger, BΠ/Michigan State*

## BOSTON METRO ALUMNAE CLUB

The Boston Metro Alumnae group can always count on the enthusiasm and energy of its members and is blessed with a steady influx of new members. Many recent graduates move to the Boston area for its many



work and graduate school opportunities. This constant influx of enthusiastic new members truly keeps our group alive and moving forward as we are inspired to find new ways to get to know one another and form a cohesive group. The recent graduates also bring with them a unique energy.

Our group is also very fortunate to have a number of active members who have been involved though the years. Because our group has undergone periods of inactivity since its founding in 1990, these long-term members serve as an invaluable resource to the club. They provide the group with sound advice and a sense of history.

If you are new to the Boston area or are planning a move here, please visit our website at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bostontheta/>

*Liz Hanselman, ZE/Harvard*

#### **BUTTE-ANACONDA ALUMNAE CLUB**

Members of the Butte-Anaconda Alumnae Club are completing our 20th year of the Great Theta Paper Caper. We have sold quality holiday and everyday gift wrap throughout the two communities. Each year the profit goes to the Alpha Nu Chapter at the University of Montana and to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation.

Our alumnae club president, along with the local Kappa Kappa Gamma alumnae association president, has begun a city-wide Panhellenic dinner with alumnae of all the different sororities. The second dinner (spring of 2001) drew an even larger crowd than the first year. Many more names have been added to the list and we look forward to spring of 2002 for another successful get-together.

*Sheri Morin Broudy,  
AM/Missouri*

#### **CALGARY ALUMNAE CLUB**

The tragic events that occurred in New York on September 11 touched us all,

even those of us across the border. Such events prompt many of us to search for a way to contribute to and support the needs of others. Our club extends our thoughts and sympathy to all of our American Theta sisters, especially those who were directly affected by the terrorist attacks.

The Calgary Alumnae Club has certainly continued its tradition and spirit of giving. On Saturday, October 27, 2001, a luncheon was held to celebrate the club's twenty-four years of providing scholarships for women at the Beta Chi Chapter of the University of Alberta, as well as scholarships for women at the University of Calgary. The "Twin Star" awards are granted to the Beta Chi member who has the highest grade-point average and the Beta Chi member whose academic record has most improved. The Catherine Morrish Kappa Alpha Theta Scholarship (named in memory of a dedicated alumna) is awarded to a female student entering the University of Calgary.

The enthusiasm and generosity of club members continued, as on December 1, 2001, a Christmas brunch meeting was held to raise funds for a needy family identified through the CUPS Center. The CUPS Centre provides a family resource center, a child development center and most recently a program that offers prenatal, birth and postnatal follow-up care in their health clinic. The group also collected food for the Calgary Food Bank to be distributed to needy families during the holiday season.

Thetas are blessed by the lifetime friendships, connection and support that we all enjoy from our continued association.

*Lesley Ross, AN/Montana*

#### **CHICAGO NORTH SHORE ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

Over the past few years, the Chicago North Shore Alumnae Chapter has been alternating our programs

between the city and the suburbs to accommodate as many people as possible. We've successfully managed to entice just about everyone to attend at least one of the events this past year. The downtown events have included an elegant tea at the Drake Hotel, a pottery painting night in Lincoln Park, and a chance to mix and mingle over cocktails at one of the city's trendiest locales.

There have also been several wonderful programs held in the suburbs. Last spring, we were thrilled to hear Barbara Rinella give her theatrical book review of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* at our annual guest night - the adults were as delighted and captivated as the children by her performance! We were also treated to an amazing presentation by guest speaker Barbara Bradley Baekgaard, founder of the Vera Bradley Company. Our latest program introduced us to the legacy of American quilts.

We persevere in our philanthropic activities as well. One of the organizations which receives monetary donations from the Chicago North Shore Alumnae Chapter is the Illinois Project for Special Needs Children. This organization provides money to children and their families after they have exhausted all other options for financial support. The Illinois Project Board comprises Thetas from many alumnae organizations in Illinois, including three of

our members. Our newest philanthropic project currently in the works is our Birthday Boxes for CASA. We hope to assemble birthday packages, complete with small gifts and a cake, for children who otherwise might not get their special day celebrated.

Our mission is to maintain a strong balance between social fun and good deeds, continuing to learn new information and skills, meet new people, and help others.

*Betsy Hoza, FY/Miami*

#### **CHICAGO NORTHWEST SUBURBAN ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

The members of the Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter really know the true meaning of "Theta for a Lifetime." We all look forward to the fun activities planned during our monthly meetings and the time together to socialize and reminisce.

Monthly "Dinner Damsels" are great opportunities to try new restaurants in the area and to relax among friends. "Winter Party" invites spouses and friends to join in an evening of fun. Summer activities include moms and tots outings, women's golf league, barbecues, boat tours and picnics at Ravinia, an outdoor concert park. Other interest groups include bridge, scrapbooking, cookie exchange, bunko and biking. There is something for all! We have been involved for several years now supporting Illinois Project for Special Needs Children. This is a wonderful organization of

Members of the Chicago North Shore Alumnae Chapter gather to bid farewell to Barb Schmaus (wearing a visor) who moved to Orlando.





Illinois Thetas whose purpose is to better the lives of special needs children who are unable to obtain much-needed health aid, health care and other specialized services or items. In addition, the group has also supported PADS, Bottomless Closet, battered women's shelters and WINGS (Women In Need of Growing Stronger). Through these activities, we as a group have come together, grown closer and are reminded of how fortunate and blessed we are to have the Theta bond for a lifetime.

*Christy Lund Fogarty,  
BPI/Michigan State*

#### **CINCINNATI ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

Members of the Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter served food to hungry football fans as volunteer vendors. The Cincinnati Bengals' new Paul Brown Stadium opens concession stands for non-profit group fund-raisers. We earned \$575 from the sale of hot dogs and hot pretzels this year. All funds will go to Pro-Kids and the Alpha Tau Chapter at Cincinnati.

Despite the long hours involved in this fund-raiser, the money will go a long way to support the chapter's respective causes. Other Thetas looking to take advantage of this type of opportunity may want to call their local stadium food service group (e.g., Aramark, Marriott Sodexo) for details.

*Mary Corressel, N/Hanover*

#### **CLEARWATER ALUMNAE CLUB**

Clearwater, Fla., is known for its beautiful sunshiny weather. The Clearwater Alumnae Club is also known for our own "special" sunshine! Alida Belle Desper is a phenomenal woman who just happens to be a Theta. She has been the club's mainstay for as long as anyone can remember.

She is always notifying club members of illnesses, bereavements, and good news about our Theta sisters and their families. If we were to reimburse her for card and

postage costs over the years, we would probably have to obtain a bank loan in order to repay her. Alida Belle is always entertaining Thetas, neighbors, church friends and other friends with luncheons and unusual gifts from her heart. Alida Belle does it all!

Now let us tell you about her "pecan mania." The Clearwater Club began selling pecans as a fund-raiser many years ago. Guess who has sold more pecans than all the other members collectively? Alida Belle. This year she broke her own record by selling 312 pounds.

An Alpha Mu from Missouri, she has been a Theta since 1934. There is no one who has embodied Theta's spirit more than Alida Belle Desper.

*Matile Guinand Hendry,  
BN/Florida State*

#### **CLEVELAND ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

As I write this, I am also baking some "fortitude snacks for finals" for the new Thetas at John Carroll University. It is a real shot in the arm for our alumnae chapter to finally have an active college chapter in our city.

It all happened so fast, beginning in August when we heard that Theta was one of ten national sororities invited to make a formal presentation at JCU, and ending the weekend before Thanksgiving, when forty new members were initiated and the Eta Kappa Chapter was chartered.

During this process, Cleveland alumnae were informed and included. Our members shared in the presentation, pledging, initiation, the loyalty service, the charter service, and the installation brunch. Now many alumnae are on the advisory board and facility corporation board; we are all thrilled to take an active part in various aspects of this new chapter's life.

In January, we celebrated our 99th anniversary by inviting Eta Kappa to join us for

their first Founders Day. As we shared in the ritual as Theta sisters, recognizing the new initiates and our 50- and 75-year Thetas, it was a renewing, reconnecting, and exciting day for all.

*Judy Battles Bourne, AT/Ohio State*

#### **DENVER ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

This year, as in recent years, the Denver Alumnae Chapter continues to attract dues-paying members through our popular special interest groups. These groups help to promote the many other activities of the Denver Alumnae Chapter as well as foster friendships among the participants.

Besides the ever-popular lunch bunch and bridge club, the antiques club consistently draws enthusiastic attendees to its monthly programs. The life history club encourages writing about one's own life ... childhood memories, historic events, people, hobbies, all the things that make up our lives. "Creative Memories" is a gathering of scrapbookers and photo collectors who enjoy chatting and learning from others while accomplishing their album goals. The gourmet club gets together to share meals, recipes, and cooking, all while learning new tricks with food. The hiking club, the only group that meets weekly, caters to women who love the outdoors and seek to see more of Colorado. Hikes vary from fitness walks to the climbing of 14,000-foot peaks. The book club is a new addition to special interests. Designed to foster interaction between readers, a lively discussion is guaranteed.

Just like Kappa Alpha Theta, many interests are covered and new ideas always welcome.

*Sherla Jennings Alberola,  
BPI/Michigan State*

#### **EL CAMINO REAL ALUMNAE CLUB**

Members of the El Camino Real Alumnae Club, located

in southern California, feel that our group is special in several ways. First, we enjoy our historic location near the old road (El Camino Real) built to connect Franciscan missions from Mexico to California.

We also enjoy our unusual philanthropy, called "Rebuilding Together Orange County." A home in need of renovation is selected for us each spring. On a designated Saturday in April, we drag our husbands along for a day of hammering, painting and wallpapering. Members who aren't handy with a screwdriver prepare picnic lunches a day ahead for the workers. We enjoy improving the quality of life of the resident while having a good time ourselves.

Our club has several subgroups, including one which plays bridge monthly, as well as the "Theta Boys," golfing husbands whose wives prepare a potluck dinner once a month after the game.

*Jane Palmer Horlings,  
P/Nebraska*

#### **JACKSONVILLE ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

The Jacksonville Alumnae Chapter is a wonderful group of active ladies, of all age groups and diverse backgrounds, who enjoy getting together several times a year for sisterly fun and fellowship. Our annual favorites seem to be the Founders Day luncheon in January, the annual potluck dinner in the fall, and Christmas tea during the holidays, as well as several other theme parties during the year.

In addition to our social activities, many of our alumnae are active in several community charities and non-profit organizations. Several members serve as board members, guardians, and volunteers with our local Guardian ad Litem program. Our second annual quilt (a beautiful, bright quilt of many colorful kites, made by Thetas) raffle fund-raiser was successful, with all pro-



ceeds benefiting the local Guardian ad Litem program. At Grand Convention 2000, our Alumnae Chapter received the coveted "Most Improved Chapter" trophy. We were honored to receive this award and are proud of our alumnae chapter as it continues to grow in membership every year. Jacksonville Thetas: believing that people, like kites, are made to be lifted!

*Christine MacLeod McMillan, BN/Florida State, & Sara Armstrong Parent, BN/Florida State*

#### LITTLE ROCK ALUMNAE CLUB

The Little Rock Alumnae Club sticks together! Our Founders Day celebration was postponed last winter because of devastating ice storms, so we had it in February with a Mardi Gras theme.

Our annual planning meeting is held every April, and we set the calendar for the year and brainstorm new activities. The Arkansas Race for the Cure in September is one of the largest in the country, and last year we had team T-shirts printed. After Christmas we held a mother-daughter event at a paint-your-own-pottery store. We also have informal get-togethers throughout the year. Not bad for our little club!

*Emily Stitt McMath, AΦ/Tulane*

#### LOS ANGELES ALUMNAE CHAPTER

The Los Angeles Alumnae Chapter is a collection of diverse women. The majority of our members did not attend colleges in the Los Angeles area, and our colle-

giate experiences range from small colleges to large universities all over the map. Our challenge comes in finding activities that will appeal to such a diverse group of women and also be appropriate for the wide age range of our members. Our members are active women, and we try to fit into their busy lifestyles.

We offer several main activities each year. These foundation events draw the attention of many of our members. We annually hold our Founders Day luncheon, participate in the Revlon Run/Walk for Women's Cancer, and have a holiday party where we collect toys for CASA. We have recently formed a book club and a walking club to appeal to our members' hobbies and interests.

Though we span a large physical area in Los Angeles, the one thing you can count in our group is finding friendly women coming together to enjoy one another's company over fond memories of a truly remarkable experience, the Theta experience!

*Jodi Lebow, Ψ/Wisconsin*

#### NAPLES-MARCO ISLAND ALUMNAE CLUB

The Naples-Marco Island-Bonita Springs Alumnae Club has an unusual membership. Although our numbers fluctuate with the seasons, our enthusiasm remains constant.

In our "season" (November to May), we enjoyed the fellowship of 154 dues-paying members. We gathered for our fall welcome-back meeting and our gala Christmas party with guests and all



Joyce Anne Rogers Vitelli, X/Syracuse; Peggy Grayson Post, ΔK/LSU; Pat Boynton Frey, A/DePauw; and Ann Lippincott White Nelson, H/Michigan, celebrated Founders Day in Naples, Fla.

attendees bringing gifts for the local Guardian ad Litem program. On Founders Day, the speaker was our own Peggy Grayson Post, Delta Kappa/LSU. Peggy is the great granddaughter-in-law of etiquette guru Emily Post, and she writes books and speaks nationally on all phases of etiquette.

In the spring, many of our members head north to cooler climates and summer friends. But the year-round Thetas still get together the first Monday of each month from May through October for lunch at a restaurant or club.

We love being Thetas. We love sharing our lives with one another. We would love to have you join us if you come to our little corner of southwest Florida.

*Joyce Anne Rogers Vitelli, X/Syracuse*

#### NEW JERSEY NORTH CENTRAL ALUMNAE CLUB

We North Jersey Thetas hail from coast to coast, from large and small schools, and treasure our association as Theta sisters. We have built and increased our closeness with one another through various programs, including book discussions, trips to museums, and jazz concerts. Through our monthly luncheon meetings and special

events, we also share much of our personal lives, thoughts, and humor. Our group is an amazing resource for ideas, and we also enjoy just plain socializing. Our latest innovation is to set up our own website.

*Jackie Wendell Wiegand, BH/Pennsylvania*



Jenifer Lucas, AY/Washburn, and Barbara Judravetz, AO/Oklahoma, served as Founders Day chairman and 50-year Thetas chairman, respectively, for the Northern Virginia Alumnae Chapter.

#### NORTHERN VIRGINIA ALUMNAE CHAPTER

The past few months have been unusually rewarding for members of the Northern Virginia Alumnae Chapter. We kicked off our fall activities with a "Top This: Create-a-Salad" fall meeting. We celebrated the fact that our membership has tripled in the last two years and that we have members ranging in age from 22 to the 80s.

We are conducting a campaign throughout the year to collect children's books and money which will be donated to area literacy projects in honor of two of our most



At their holiday get-together, members of the Los Angeles Alumnae Chapter collected toys and other items for children in the local CASA program.



prominent Thetas, Laura Bush and Lynne Cheney. The books will be donated to Northern Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, DC, organizations which run literacy programs for at-risk children.

We held a Silent Auction in October; 60 Thetas and our guests enjoyed a great evening of food, fun, and philanthropy to benefit the chapter's literacy program. We raised \$3,100 at that event! We have raised more than \$3,700 so far and have collected more than two hundred books, which will be distributed in the spring of 2002.

On December 12, 80 members of the Northern Virginia and Suburban Maryland/Washington, DC, Alumnae Chapters and our guests celebrated the holiday season at the elegant National Press Club in Washington. One of the highlights for our chapter is having activities with our sisters in Maryland

and Washington, DC.

Members of our chapter cherish the friendships we have made and the bond which we share with each other as Theta sisters from around the United States. We look forward to enhancing our times of fellowship and philanthropy during 2002.

*Florence McClain Priebe,  
BS/SMU*

#### OKLAHOMA CITY ALUMNAE CHAPTER

A warm tradition started in 1957 for the alumnae chapter in Oklahoma City. It was the debut of The Flaming Festival, featuring 36 beautiful tabletop settings meticulously situated around elaborate candle arrangements.

Since 1992, the Flaming Festival has raised \$100,000 for the University of Oklahoma (OU) Breast Institute as the primary recipient of the Flaming Festival funds. Kappa Alpha Theta donations have been used to establish the patient educa-

tion library, purchase a high-definition video microscope and state of the art X-ray viewing equipment, plus fund summer students in the OU Honors Research program. Proceeds also benefit CASA and Theta college chapters.

Highlights of the Kappa Alpha Theta Flaming Festival, held for one day each November at the local country club, include spectacular tabletop displays by area merchants and Theta alumnae members. From 10 am to 6 pm, Flaming Festival guests immerse themselves in the festive environment of glamorous and unusual table settings highlighting the holidays, special occasions, and children's activities.

The Flaming Festival has developed over the years, and the alumnae chapter hopes these changes will allow the Festival to continue its tradition of being an exciting, one-day extravaganza for the Oklahoma City community.

*Tamara Ferguson Hermen,  
AO/Oklahoma*

#### OMAHA ALUMNAE CHAPTER

One of the most popular meetings of the year is always the spring service project. The last six years, we have made "spring baskets" for women's shelters in the Omaha metro area. This year, when we gathered in April for our monthly meeting, each Theta brought items, either new or gently used, to give to women and children in need. Large boxes of personal items and toiletries, children's clothes, games, toys, and candy filled Marilyn Woodbury's basement. Individual gift bags were set up so each Theta could start filling them to the brim with goodies. Some gifts were made specifically for mothers or children, others for younger women. This year, we made more than one hundred spring baskets and even had extra boxes of toiletries to donate, filling up three SUVs.

We had a great time and are amazed at not only the

generosity of the contributions but at how quickly things can be assembled when a bunch of Thetas are working together. The best part, however, is reading the thank-you cards from the women. They are so appreciative of the extra time we take to individually package each gift so they receive something a little more personal. Next year, we will also be providing children of the Omaha CASA program with spring baskets.

*Bridget Hoffart Frazer,  
P/Nebraska*

#### PALM BEACH COUNTY ALUMNAE CLUB

About once a decade, fate crosses my path with that of a genuine mentor. Most recently, that mentor was true friend and loyal Theta Mary Althans Abbott, Beta Tau/Denison. Upon first meeting Mary, one noticed her limp, and possibly the scar at her throat. But when Mary immediately reached out and swept you under her umbrella of affability, the scars vanished and the magic began.

I had never seen a memorial service so well attended. I was struck by testimonial after testimonial with the common theme of how this one person, Mary Abbott, made each person feel special, escalated their confidence, got them involved without being pushy or manipulative, and made a lasting impression in their lives. Mary did this in numerous organizations in Cleveland and Boca Raton.

And she did this for the Kappa Alpha Theta Palm Beach County Alumnae Club. After serving the club for years, and basically running it as a one-woman show at one point, Mary, in her magical way, recruited the majority of current board members. She spoke at each Founders Day, and, after each long Founders Day afternoon, she steadfastly visited the 50- and 75-year Thetas in assisted living facilities to make sure they got their yellow roses.



Top: Helene Huff, AO/Oklahoma; Adelaide Liedtke, TT/Rollins; and Mary Kay Samis, AO/Oklahoma, posed beside the "Pretty in Pink" tabletop decorated by the University of Oklahoma Breast Institute. Debra Mitchell, MD (second from left), of the OU Breast Institute, helped the chapter celebrate its milestone of giving \$100,000 to the organization.

Bottom: Mary Merritt Bolamperti, P/Nebraska; Emily Harber Moody, AP/South Dakota; and Jessica Leggett Covi, BK/Drake, displayed spring "baskets" they created for women's shelters in the Omaha, Neb., area.





To celebrate Halloween, members of the Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter carved pumpkins for their homes and created treat bags for a local children's agency.

In true 'Mary style,' she never told the majority of us that she was again battling breast cancer. That style was evident once more when her memorial service was capped off with a dessert reception from her favorite caterers. It was even reflected in her choice of recipient for memorial gifts - not a stuffy disease, but a scholarship fund for cartoon art.

Even in her death she mentors me, for I've learned the hard lesson that today is the day to pick up the phone, or ideally, get together with my Theta sister. It was an honor to have known a woman who through her gifts of friendship and public service exemplified the ideals of Theta and the meaning of the words "Theta for a Lifetime." I am the better for it, as is the Palm Beach County Alumnae Club.

*Susan Polacek, Y/Minnesota*

#### **PITTSBURGH ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

Members of the Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter gathered together at the home of Mary Lou Vargo for an evening of fun and philanthropy to celebrate Halloween. Members brought pumpkins to carve for their own homes along with wrapped candy to create "treat bags" for a local child-serving agency.

This event illustrates a common goal of the Pittsburgh alumnae chapter: to combine fun get-togethers

among sisters with service to our local community.

The evening was a hit as several interesting pumpkins (including one with rotating ears) were designed for members' homes and 100 treat bags were made for children at the Presley Ridge Day School in Pittsburgh. Presley Ridge schools serve at-risk children who can no longer attend public schools. Many of these children live in foster care or with families who cannot afford to celebrate Halloween. In a thank-you to the chapter, an administrator at the school stated that the students clearly enjoyed the gift. Given the success of the event, this may become an annual tradition.

*Jennifer Johnson Roberts,  
AP/South Dakota*

#### **PLANO AREA ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

As the Plano Area Alumnae Chapter continues its success in the year 2001, we also find ourselves reflecting back on the success of the past. We are proud to celebrate 11 years as a chapter and are so very thankful for the many Theta sisters we have had the opportunity to meet and know.

We have accomplished many things in the past 10 years, but the most significant in the past three. Our membership has grown from 40 members to almost 100. We have gone from selling garland to sponsoring a 5K race



At their annual souper supper, members of the Portland Alumnae Chapter collected children's books for donation to a local charity.

benefiting CASA of Collin County, to raising more than \$6,000 last year through a no-gala gala. We have new faces each year joining our group and sharing with us some fresh ideas for the future. We have held the ideals of our Fraternity close to our hearts and continued with the true faith of sisterhood by offering a comfortable and warm place for theta sisters to meet and feel welcomed.

*Suzanne Stateler Jones,  
ΓΦ/Texas Tech*

#### **PORTLAND ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

Each October, all Portland-area Alumnae Chapter members are invited to a gathering of soup and social time. Each member brings her own mug and spoon and enjoys two different soups and lots of other good food. We also ask participants to bring used or new children's book, CDs, and DVDs. All of the donated items are then given to a local children's charity. Our souper supper is always a fun way to start off the fall season.

*Christina Chaptman Summers,  
ΔI/Puget Sound*

#### **RENO ALUMNAE CHAPTER**

On April 21, the women of the Reno Alumnae Chapter and the Beta Mu Chapter at Nevada co-hosted a celebration in honor of their restored 1916 Steinway Baby Grand Player Piano. As one of only four such pianos known to exist in the United States, it is quite a treasure.

An anonymous donor originally donated the Steinway to Kappa Alpha Theta in the 1920s. Rumors indicated that the Steinway had come from one of Nevada's original houses of ill repute! While we may never know the truth, the restorer was shocked to uncover a layer of wood heavily scarred with cigarette burns. These had been painted over and over throughout the years and only the intricate restoration uncovered them.

During the war, the piano provided some of the only entertainment available to young students at the University of Nevada, Reno. The unique instrument played music scrolls for their socials and parties and was also played by women with musical talent. Sometime during the years, the player was broken and the scrolls lost. Recent generations of Theta alumnae were not even aware that it was both a player and a grand piano.

In 1999, two alumnae and one collegian began a mail campaign to raise money for the piano's restoration. By January 2000, they had collected more than enough money and countless notes of memories from alumnae. After spending a year in the shop of Dale Fox, the piano was completely restored to its original glory and returned to a place of honor in the Kappa Alpha Theta chapter house.

*Sandi Haworth Milton, BM*



## ROCKFORD ALUMNAE CHAPTER

We are small group that began meeting 85 years ago and continue to be supportive of Theta, one another, and our community. We have been a chapter for 45 years and are the most active Greeks in our local Panhellenic society. Together, we sponsor a very successful bunny breakfast before Easter at our local Discovery Museum.

Several traditional Theta events are eagerly anticipated annually, including our September salad supper, Christmas ornament exchange, Founders Day celebration, and couples social in June. Other meetings last year featured historic home and garden tours and program for our local Bottomless Closet, which provides business clothes to women in need. We also proudly recommended exceptional young women to Theta chapters.

Theta sisterhood continues to be fun and meaningful to our special chapter.

*Nancy Kenady Denny, AX/Purdue*



Members of the Rockford Alumnae Chapter pose onstage at the elegantly restored early 1900s Coronado Theatre. A plaque in the lobby recognizes Kappa Alpha Theta for their Theatre Chair contribution. Each year, the chapter enjoys choosing various local philanthropies to receive our gift donations.

## SACRAMENTO VALLEY ALUMNAE CLUB

The greatest feature our alumnae share with one another is their deep appreciation for any activity planned. Even if their busy schedules prevent them from attending a function, I can be assured of many e-mails and phone thanking me for taking the time to plan something special for the group. With so many obligations and demands put on our Thetas

to volunteer in the community, assist in their children's school and extracurricular activities, work into the late night hours with challenging jobs, it's understandable that some just don't have the time for Theta in their lives right now. But then we are fortunate to meet with brand-new Thetas to the area who need to get involved or empty-nester Thetas, like me, who want to renew old friendships. Thetas in the Sacramento Valley and beyond are the friendliest, most helpful, and most loyal to our club's existence.

*Ann Daneke Worthington, BE/Oregon State*

## SAN DIEGO ALUMNAE CHAPTER

This past year has been an exciting one! We started Nite Kites, a group that meets monthly to socialize, and we now have three college chapters who actively participate with us in community service events for CASA and Race for

the Cure. We have appointed designated chapter liaisons in order to keep a pulse on what's happening on campuses and to support the chapters and the advisory boards. Through our annual fund-raising efforts, we were able to support the college chapters with a monetary gift, and we hope to provide more monetary support in 2002. Theta is also a large supporter of San Diego alumnae Panhellenic and has played



Members of the Sarasota Alumnae Club pose during one of their meetings.

an active role in its programming excellence. During the last biennium, a Theta served as president of the 500-member group. During that same biennium, the Panhellenic group received an Outstanding Programming Award from NPC. Theta is thriving and shining in San Diego!

*Cheri Graham-Clark, ΔΨ/UC Riverside*

## SAN LUIS OBISPO/CENTRAL COAST ALUMNAE CLUB

Apart from the Theta bond and the fact that we genuinely enjoy one another's company, the defining word for the San Luis Obispo/Central Coast Alumnae Club is diversity. There's a great-grandmother in the group, as well as a recent college graduate. Two of our members had babies last year, so we became enthusiastic adoptive grandparents.

Because this is California, where everybody is from somewhere else, our membership represents more than 30 different states. Our 70-plus members live in a dozen small communities along the coast and inland, providing a wide choice of settings for monthly events. This year's highlights include an introduction to dyeing Easter eggs with silk ties, a "learn and then eat" demonstration by a professional chef, and a docent-led tour of the Botanical Gardens.

That's the social side. We came into being with the founding of Zeta Theta Chapter at CalPoly San Luis Obispo in 1988, we and continue to have a close and supportive relationship with the chapter. Alumnae spend many hours each month as

members of the advisory board and facility corporation board for the chapter and can always be counted on to give a hand with recruitment. We share some special time on Founders Day and at our annual dinner for graduating seniors in the spring.

Just about all of us are community volunteers, but we can always find time for the San Luis Obispo/Central Coast Alumnae Club. It's special because we feel it is.

*Nancy Taylor Wolf, O/USC, & Mary Servoso, AS/Washington State*

## SARASOTA ALUMNAE CLUB

The Sarasota Area Alumnae Club welcomes all visitors. Our club has 100 members representing 45 college chapters. We would like to show you around our area and tell you about our meetings.

South of Sarasota, we met in a home on Venice Island. After lunch, we sat outside listening to a lecture on growing orchids while watching boats pass through the inlet. West of Venice, we gathered at a home inside a golfing community where several of us had a spirited discussion about whether the alligator across the bayou was 10 or 12 feet long. East in Hidden River, we met in a magnificent hacienda with our local TV weatherman providing a lecture on hurricanes.

If you do visit us, cross over the drawbridge to Siesta Key and drive down Midnight Pass road to a restaurant called The Summer House. Walk among the oak trees, draped with hanging moss. Saunter around the banana, palm, and bamboo trees and look into the beautiful glass-enclosed dining room where



we hold our Founders Day luncheons. Now walk across the road to beautiful Crescent Beach. Take a walk in sand that is 99 percent pure quartz crystals.

Beware, though. There is a legend that if you get Sarasota sand in your shoes you will feel pulled to return again and again!

*Patti Hays Kelly,  
Γ<sup>Δ</sup>/Ohio Wesleyan*

We have a website, [www.seattlhetas.org](http://www.seattlhetas.org), and invite everyone to visit us. If you find yourself moving to the Seattle area, know that you can may find a Theta from your home chapter in our group and that new faces are always welcome. It's a great way to meet wonderful women from not only Seattle but all of Puget Sound.

*Terry Tatko, BΘ/Idaho*



The Seattle Alumnae Chapter sponsored a charity auction as a philanthropic event.

#### SEATTLE ALUMNAE CHAPTER

Because of the diversity of our membership in the Seattle Alumnae Chapter and the large size of our geographic area, there are three subgroups within our chapter that create opportunities for many women in the Seattle area to participate. Our Theta Sharing group is open to all Thetas and meets between chapter events for a variety of programming.

The Way-Out Thetas provide a convenient location for Thetas both young and old to gather and support the activities of the larger group.

The junior organization gears its activities toward alumnae out of school for 10 years or less. Our juniors received a Foundation grant this year to present Dr. Luoluo Hong's wonderful program to the entire Panhellenic organization at the University of Washington—no small undertaking!

Over the years we've also had hiking and gardening groups, book clubs, investment pools, lunch bunches, Auntie Mames/Pansy Links to the local chapters, and professional networking groups to supplement other alumnae groups and activities.

#### SKIDAWAY ISLAND ALUMNAE CHAPTER

The Skidaway Island Alumnae Club is located in Savannah, Ga., and has been organized for two years. We are a group of approximately 40 members living at The Landings, which is a planned residential community of 8,000 people. Many of us are retired and have more time to enjoy our beautiful golf courses, tennis facilities, and boating.

Without exception, our members are actively involved in the Savannah community, giving endless hours to worthwhile organizations and programs. Another segment of our residents are also busy with careers and growing families.

We meet three times a year, beginning in January with Founders Day, followed by a spring event and a couples party in the fall. Attendance at these events is excellent and enthusiasm runs high.

We are proud that we started a Panhellenic program by hosting a luncheon for members of national sororities here at The Landings. The event is now traditional, with various groups sharing the planning.



Members of the Sun City Honorary Alumnae Club posed with spouses and friends for a photo at their annual Christmas party.

Many of our members are 50-year Thetas, who bring a depth of energy and experience to our club. Come and visit us in Savannah.

*Sas Frank, AX/Purdue*

#### SOUTH HAMPTON ROADS ALUMNAE CLUB

The South Hampton Roads Alumnae Club has been enjoying a wonderful year. We are located on the far southeastern shore of Virginia and our members represent a large area.

We all keep in touch through a quarterly newsletter. Each month a different member of the club is spotlighted on a page called Meet-a-Theta. This gives us all an opportunity to get to know members from different schools, ages and cities.

This year we've been busy with a Founders Day event in April. (Our picture was included in the Autumn 2001 issue of *The Magazine*). We host a monthly dinner club, which gives us the opportunity to sample a wide variety of restaurants throughout South Hampton Roads. This summer, we enjoyed a cruise on the *American Rover* tall sailing ship.

Finally, we rounded out our year with our third annual wine tasting party. This event has proven to be a great success. We each bring a bottle of wine and a dish to share. We invite a local wine expert and he shares his knowledge with us.

Many of our members have welcomed husbands, new babies, and new jobs this past year. We even had a member on board the *USS*.

*Enterprise!*

*Heidi Jensen Dearstyne,  
ΑΦ/North Dakota*

#### SUN CITY (Honorary) ALUMNAE CLUB

"All my life, the most valuable friends I've made are through Theta," remarks Georgia Rowe, who pledged the Alpha Nu Chapter at Montana in 1929 and is a member of the Sun City Honorary Alumnae Club. Our greatest rewards are the lasting gifts of sisterhood that we give to one another.

We have about 40 members who meet monthly for lunch, each time in a different setting. Occasionally, we host a local expert speaking on a topical subject.

Because we have gathered together from many colleges, our members bring a rich diversity to our club. We celebrate our success and challenges met with our husbands and sweethearts at our fall picnic and a festive Christmas party.

*Mary Bulen, Α/Vermont*

#### WILLIAMSBURG ALUMNAE CHAPTER

The Williamsburg Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta is lucky to have a local CASA in our town. As president, I serve on their board, and so our chapter has really formed a bond with Colonial CASA of Williamsburg. In October, we hosted a catered dinner prepared and donated by Chef Renee. We were able to donate almost \$600 to CASA. At our Yuletide brunch in December, we collected food and toys for a CASA family. And, coincidentally, one of our member's husband is a volunteer for Colonial CASA. Our bond continues to grow, as each year passes.

*Janey Janson, Γ<sup>Δ</sup>/Ohio Wesleyan*



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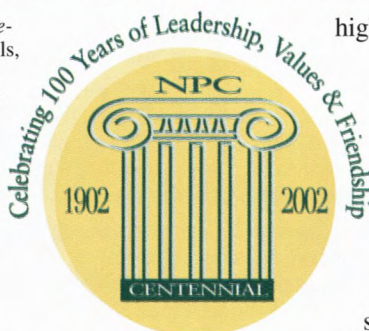
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# NPC Centennial

By Liz Appel Rinck, T/Buller

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**T**ake a moment to picture yourself as a woman living in 1836. Your life then would have been radically different from your life today, different in ways that are hard to imagine. You would not have been permitted to vote. You would not have been allowed to own property. And—200 years after the founding of Harvard, the first college on American soil—you would have been denied the opportunity for education after

high school.

Higher education in the United States was a strictly male privilege until 1837, when tiny Oberlin College in Ohio enrolled four women in a special Ladies

Course. By 1867,

many church-affiliated institutions admitted women as students. Still, by 1870, fewer than one percent of all women between the ages of 18 and 21 were enrolled in institutions of higher learning, and most of them attended women's colleges.

## The First Fraternities

Those few women who did have the courage to enroll in traditionally all-male schools faced hostility from almost every side:

from their peers, from their professors, from society as a whole. They longed for support, camaraderie, and understanding. Denied the opportunity to participate in most campus extracurricular activities, twelve young women at Monmouth College in Illinois met in 1867 with the intention of forming an organization modeled after men's fraternities. They called the organization IC Sorosis (Pi Beta Phi was their secret motto), and in 1868, a second chapter was established at Iowa Wesleyan College.

In early 1870, four young women at Indiana Asbury founded Kappa Alpha Theta, the first Greek-letter fraternity for women; within a few months, a second Theta chapter was formed at nearby Indiana University. And later that same year, Kappa Kappa Gamma

## Panhellenic Highlights

★ In 1882, **Gamma Phi Beta** became the first "sorority," a word coined by Dr. Frank Smalley especially for this group. **Kappa Kappa Gamma** published *The Key*, the first magazine produced by and for a women's fraternity.

★ In 1902, the first Intersorority Conference was convened in Chicago by Alpha Phi. Invited to the gathering were representatives from **Delta Delta Delta**, **Delta Gamma**, **Gamma Phi Beta**, **Kappa Alpha Theta**, **Kappa Kappa Gamma**, and **Pi Beta Phi**. A set of motions to be used as the framework for a permanent organization was presented; the conference discussed recruitment issues; and it was decided that annual conferences would be held, called by each of the seven fraternities in rotation.

★ In 1903, **Alpha Chi Omega** and **Chi Omega** became members; in 1904 **Alpha Xi Delta** was admitted, and it was decided to admit **Sigma Kappa** as soon as the group complied with conference rulings. (This occurred the following year.) An order of rotation for the official organization was also set up.

★ In 1905, the fourth Intersorority Conference admitted **Alpha Omicron Pi** to membership. **Kappa Alpha Theta** established a scholarship fund for its members; in 2001, it provided more than \$500,000 in scholarships.

★ **Sigma Kappa** held its 1908 national convention in Washington, DC, where delegates were received by President Theodore Roosevelt.

★ The eighth conference was held in 1909; **Zeta Tau Alpha** and **Alpha Gamma Delta** had been admitted to conference membership during the year and were in attendance. The group adopted the name National Panhellenic

Conference (NPC).

★ **Delta Zeta** attended the 1910 conference as a member for the first time. At the 1911 conference, NPC's tenth, the organization changed its name to National Panhellenic Congress; this name remained in use until 1945.

★ **Kappa Delta** and **Phi Mu** were admitted to NPC in 1912. In conjunction with this meeting, the national presidents of the member groups met for the first time; in 1913, the editors of the member groups also met. Also in 1913, **Delta Zeta** established its first alumnae chapter.

★ It was at the 1915 annual meeting that the congress voted to meet biennially and adopted a Panhellenic Creed.

★ In 1923, the first motion of the eighteenth National Panhellenic Congress was to send a telegram of greetings to Grace Goodhue Coolidge, a member of **Pi Beta Phi** and the first fraternity woman to preside over the White House.

★ In 1939, Alpha Delta Theta presided over the twenty-sixth congress. At the close of the meeting, Alpha Delta Theta merged with **Phi Mu**. Hazel Falconer Benninghoven, Alpha Delta Theta president at the time of the merger, later served as Phi Mu's national president. She is believed to be the only person to serve two NPC groups as national president.

★ At the thirtieth National Panhellenic Conference in 1947, **Alpha Epsilon Phi**, **Alpha Sigma Alpha**, **Alpha Sigma Tau**, **Phi Sigma Sigma**, **Delta Phi Epsilon**, **Sigma Delta Tau**, **Sigma Sigma Sigma**, and **Theta Phi Alpha** were admitted to associate membership. Full membership in each case was contingent upon the elimination of all chapters on campuses not meeting NPC requirements and





joined IC Sorosis on the Monmouth College campus.

Two women's groups, both founded as literary societies at Wesleyan Female College in Georgia, are officially noted as the oldest secret sisterhoods. Alpha Delta Pi began its life in 1851 as the Adelphean Society; in 1905, the organization changed its name and began expanding to other campuses. The rival Philomathean Society was founded in 1852 and became Phi Mu in 1904.

## The Panhellenic Movement

By 1883, the number of women's fraternities had swelled to nine, and the first attempt to bring the various fraternities together was made when officers of several groups agreed to convene a "Panhellenic Council" in Philadelphia the following year.

Yet it wasn't until 1891 that delegates from Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Pi Beta Phi met in Boston at the request of Kate Bird Cross, third grand president of Kappa Kappa Gamma. And although a congress of fraternities met at the 1893 World's Fair, another nine years passed before any further steps were taken toward panhellenism.

Today, NPC is a conference body representing 26 national/international women's fraternities and sororities. Across the US and Canada, these member groups comprise more than 2,930 college chapters on more than 620 college campuses, as well as more than 5,530 alumnae associations. The total initiated membership of NPC is more than three million women.



of all dual membership involving NPC fraternities. In 1951, full membership was granted to these associate groups.

★ **Kappa Delta** made its first presentation in 1950 of the Kappa Delta Awards to the American Academy of Orthopedics Society. Today three annual awards of \$20,000 each are given.

★ In 1957, the total number of NPC fraternities reached an all-time high: 32 members. Delegates to the thirty-fifth meeting adopted an NPC insignia, the NPC Declaration for Freedom, and the NPC Statement of Rights.

★ In 1963, NPC, in cooperation with the National Interfraternity Conference, sponsored an exhibit about fraternities at the New York World's Fair. In 1967, NPC expressed its disapproval of women's auxiliaries to men's fraternities, also known as Little Sister organizations.

★ In the 1970s, interim meetings of the National Panhellenic Conference were established, and NPC joined other interfraternity groups in establishing the right of all fraternities to remain single-sex organizations. NPC also adopted a resolution encouraging member fraternities to forbid hazing. **Zeta Tau Alpha** created a fraternity housing corporation, the first entity of its kind, in 1977.

★ In the 1980s, an NPC central office was authorized, educational alcohol programming was recommended for each NPC group, and the use of alcohol and the participation of men in recruitment was prohibited. In addition, a permanent position of NPC archivist was created and a Rushee's Bill of Rights was presented. In 1987, Mary Burt Nash, **Alpha Xi Delta**, was cited for the longest contribution to NPC, 33 years; Minnie Mae Prescott, **Kappa Delta**, was cited for the longest service to her fraternity, 52 years.

★ Among those honored at the memorial service during the meeting in 1985 was Judith Resnick, **Alpha Epsilon Phi**, an astronaut who perished during the *Challenger* disaster.

★ During the 1990s, NPC agreed to be a part of the Hand-in-Hand breast cancer project and the Adopt-a-School Project. In 1995, the NPC Foundation was established. In 1997, a resolution to support men's fraternities who have implemented substance-free housing was adopted. It was also resolved to incorporate "Year of the Scholar" programming and to authorize financial support to the Research Initiative, a study determining the positive impact of the Greek experience on college and alumni men and women.

## Panhellenic House



One of the most fascinating chapters of NPC's history is the story of the Panhellenic House, the first hotel/residence in New York City owned and managed by women. When it opened in 1928 near the future site of the United Nations building, the Panhellenic House was a 26-floor tower, the tallest building in the vicinity. The Greek alphabet was carved into the bricks near the entrance; the cornerstone contained a listing and history of the National Panhellenic fraternities, and on the ground floor was a bookstore called Alpha and Omega.

The idea for the Panhellenic House was inspired by the multitudes of young fraternity alumnae moving to New York to pursue careers in the early 1920s. At that time, rents in the city were high, and living quarters deemed suitable for young women were particularly expensive. The Panhellenic House Association, Inc., was organized in 1922, with a board of directors comprising representatives from the participating women's fraternities. Its goal was to obtain affordable and gracious accommodations for single fraternity women visiting or living in New York City.

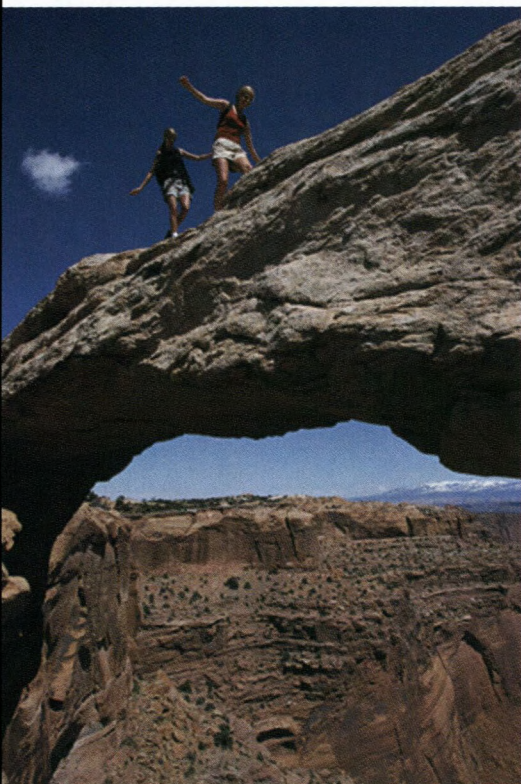
Emily Eaton Hepburn, Kappa Kappa Gamma, was a prime force behind Panhellenic House. She pursued the project, convincing others that it could be done and arranging for the sale of common and preferred stock. The total investment, including land, building, and furniture, amounted to \$1,628,942. (In 2001 dollars, this equates to more than \$16 million.)

The Panhellenic House was formally opened the evening of October 1, 1928, with a reception arranged by Mrs. Richard Holton, Phi Mu, and Mrs. Louis Wilputte, Kappa Alpha Theta. An article in *The New Yorker* described the ballroom: "It is such a symphony in grayish wood, silver, deep peachy red and dark pink marble! Nothing can ever spoil its serene, aloof, yet irresistibly appealing dignity." John Mead Howells, the architect, received the French Architect's Award for the building's design.

In 1932, accommodations were made available to fraternity men, and in 1934, the board of directors agreed to open the hotel to the general public. At the same time, the name was changed to Beekman Tower (Panhellenic). Because of this, Beekman Tower was able to survive the economic hardships of the Depression and World War II. In fact, it was one of only five hotels in New York City to survive bankruptcy in 1935.

By the early 1960s the value of the property on which Beekman Tower sat had increased, and at the same time, the supply of New York City hotel rooms exceeded the demand. An opportunity to sell the building came in the spring of 1964. Happily, the stockholders realized a profit on their investments. ■





# Leading the Way, Sharing the Vision

by Donna C. King, Sigma Kappa Sorority



**A**mid the rugged beauty of the Santa Catalina Mountains, delegates and representatives of the 26 National Panhellenic Conference member groups convened at The Westin La Paloma in Tucson, Ariz., to conduct the business of the 57th Biennial Session, held from October 5 to 7.

## OPENING REMARKS

Marian K. Williams, Kappa Kappa Gamma, NPC chairman, opened the session by thanking all in attendance for their willingness and courage to join together in Panhellenic sisterhood during a time of national tragedy and unrest in the world.

She challenged the conference to deal with the big issues of the day and commit time during the business meeting for a town meeting atmosphere to discuss three issues of vital importance to the Conference and member groups:

- "Whose chapter is it?"
- Advantages and challenges in working with the men's groups
- Recruitment concerns

Williams also reported an alarming statistic, the decreased number of organized alumnae groups. This decrease naturally affects the number of alumnae serving our college chapters as advisors and house corporation board members. Recruitment of alumnae volunteers and training of these volunteers must be high priorities. It is each member group's right and responsibility.

She explained that NPC has been actively cultivating relationships among the interfraternal family and those within higher education, welcoming rapid growth of Latino/Latina, Asian and Native American brother and sister groups, and recognizing the need and advantages of coming together for dialogue and support.

NPC educational program sponsorships of *Something of Value*, *Drug Education Program*, *Women & Girls*, *Tobacco & Lung Cancer*, *College Women and Depression*, *Something to Talk About*, and *Academic Excellence* are positioned for success and creating a lasting impact on college women.

In her closing remarks Williams concluded: "As we are gathered here, let us always remember that we are here because those before us kept the faith and believed in the ideals of fraternity life for women. We will endeavor to do the same, so future generations will also enjoy those privileges of membership. It is said that adversity introduces us to ourselves ... collectively, we have unlimited power and resources to accomplish great things. Most important of all, we have a commitment to one another."

## RESOLUTIONS

In addition to campus/housing meetings; committee meetings; and separate sessions for inter/national presidents,

executive directors and editors, business session time was given to task force, standing committee, and summary reports, as well as the adoption of resolutions.

Significant resolutions included increased annual alumnae Panhellenic dues to the Conference; increased annual per-chapter dues of each fraternity to the Conference; NPC encouragement of all college Panhellenics to adopt a position in support of alcohol-free social activities in fraternity facilities; continuation of NPC and its member groups to promote and encourage chapters to have non-alcoholic events with student organizations as well as men's fraternity chapters; NPC offer to present *Something of Value* at the annual conferences of SEPC, NGLA, MGCA and WRGC; and NPC encouragement of college Panhellenics to organize a day of dialogue (a campus and community discussion on alcohol, developed by senior student affairs officers and inter/national fraternity and sorority leaders).

Educational sessions included a presentation by Peter Lake, attorney and professor at the Stetson University School of Law, on the legal implications of various court decisions for fraternities, as well as strategies for the future. Dr. Kelly Smith, professor of pharmacology, University of Kentucky, clinically outlined in her presentation, "From Raves to Rape," the "club drug" scene prevalent in junior high, senior high, and college environments.

## ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

In commemoration of their 150th anniversary, Alpha Delta Pi hosted a luncheon. A copy of a video produced by the Alpha Delta Pi Foundation, documenting not only their history, but also 150 years of women in history, was presented to each member group.

Jean W. Scott, NPC Foundation president, accepted gifts to the Foundation.

The formal session concluded with the awards banquet, installation of the 2001-2003 executive committee, and kick-off of the centennial celebration year. Highlights were special music, a parade of flags (representing the 26 member groups), and presentations. A theme for NPC's centennial was announced: Celebrating 100 Years of Leadership, Values & Friendship (1902-2002).

Executive committee members for 2001-2003 include: Sally Grant, Alpha Phi, Chairman; Martha Brown, Delta Gamma, Secretary; Elizabeth Quick, Gamma Phi Beta, Treasurer. ■



# WHAT IS NO-FRILLS RECRUITMENT?

By Katie Busby Morrow, EZ/Mississippi, Vice-President Membership

For the past decade women's fraternities have been participating in no-frills recruitment, but many Thetas are still not sure what "no-frills" means. No-frills recruitment emphasizes getting to know potential members through meaningful conversation and demonstrating the benefits and obligations of fraternity membership to them. No-frills recruitment minimizes

the use of elaborate decorations, skits, and costumes, as these things do not accurately convey the meaning of the fraternity experience.

Does this mean that recruitment has become a sterile, unfriendly process? Certainly not! If anything, no-frills recruitment creates a less intimidating, more natural and friendly atmosphere. As a parallel, consider a dinner party.

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During a philanthropy event, potential new members and Thetas may create "doodle bags" for CASA.

## District I

A/DePauw  
B/Indiana  
Γ/Butler  
Δ/Illinois  
H/Michigan  
N/Hanover  
Π/Albion  
T/Northwestern  
Ψ/Wisconsin  
AX/Purdue  
AΨ/Lawrence  
BΠ/Michigan State  
ΓE/Western Ontario  
EΦ/Chicago

**Contact: Julie Gilpin**  
888-526-1870, ext. 348

## District II

ΓΔ/Ohio Wesleyan  
BT/Denison  
BΦ/Penn State  
ΓΘ/Carnegie-Mellon  
EΛ/Dickinson  
EΠ/Bucknell  
EΩ/Washington & Jefferson  
ZΣ/Ohio Northern

**Contact: Bev Bowlus**  
888-526-1870, ext. 313

## District III

I/Cornell  
Λ/Vermont  
Ξ/Wesleyan  
X/Syracuse  
AE/Brown

# Theta Wants You

## ADVISERS NEEDED!

Following is a list, by district, of chapters in need of advisers. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about advisory board positions, please contact the appropriate college district president; their names and phone numbers are at the end of each district list.

ΓZ/Connecticut  
ET/Yale  
ZZ/Colgate

**Contact: Ashley Atkins**  
888-526-1870, ext. 352

## District IV

BΛ/William & Mary  
BP/Duke  
ΓM/Maryland  
ΔX/Virginia  
EO/Randolph-Macon

EN/Virginia Tech  
EP/Lehigh

**Contact: Sharon McBride**  
888-526-1870, ext. 370

## District V

ΔΘ/Florida  
ΔO/Alabama  
ΔY/Eastern Kentucky  
ΔH/Centre  
ZH/Wofford

**Contact: Kristin Beck**  
888-526-1870, ext. 355

## District VII

O/USC  
BΓ/Colorado State  
BΔ/Arizona  
BI/Colorado  
ΓP/UC Santa Barbara  
ZΘ/California Polytechnic  
ZΦ/Pepperdine  
ZΩ/Loyola Marymount  
HI/San Diego

**Contact: Barbara Ann Caulfield**  
888-526-1870, ext. 345

## District VIII

AA/Washington  
AN/Montana  
Φ/Pacific  
Ω/UC Berkeley  
AΣ/Washington State  
BE/Oregon State  
BΘ/Idaho  
BM/Nevada  
BX/Alberta  
HH/Albertson

**Contact: Lara Perry**  
888-526-1870, ext. 338

## District IX

BK/Drake  
BO/Iowa  
ΔH/Kansas State  
EI/Westminster

**Contact: Katie Bernsen**  
888-526-1870, ext. 340 ■



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When I invite friends over for dinner, I prepare a meal that is easy to serve so I can spend time with my guests rather than in the kitchen. I may display an arrangement of fresh flowers or create a festive centerpiece for the table, but I don't cover my walls with banners or repaint my house, nor do I dress in an themed costume.

### WHY DID NO-FRILLS RECRUITMENT BEGIN?

Because of the emphasis that was placed on entertaining potential members during the recruitment process, critics accused sororities of being superficial and exclusive. Many highly qualified women chose not to participate in sorority life because of the high-frills recruitment style. Surveys of incoming college freshmen revealed that potential members were interested in community service and leadership development and were dedicated to pursuing challenging academic and career goals. Women's fraternities

realized a change was needed, and in 1991 the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) unanimously passed a resolution establishing no-frills recruitment.

### HOW HAS THETA RESPONDED?

Some Theta chapters have always participated in no-frills recruitment by virtue of their campus climate, while other chapters quickly moved to this recruitment style by replacing lengthy skits with events that demonstrate how Theta is committed to social, intellectual, and moral growth. A few chapters are still working to take the additional steps necessary to make their recruitment process no-frills.

One of the most exciting trends to come out of the no-frills recruitment effort is the philanthropy event. During this recruitment event, each sorority on a campus focuses on its philanthropic and service activities while creating or assembling items to be donated. Theta chapters display photos and talk about their service events and share informa-

tion about the important work of CASA. During the philanthropy event, potential new members and Thetas work together to create items that can be used by CASA volunteers or CASA children. Many chapters decorate canvas tote bags with paint, rubber stamps, and fabric designs. These CASA "doodle bags" are used by CASA volunteers to pack a child's belongings when the child has no suitcase or backpack; then the tote bag is given to the child to keep.

### WHAT'S LEFT FOR US TO DO?

In autumn 2001, NPC recommitted itself to no-frills recruitment. This is an exciting opportunity for Kappa Alpha Theta to partner with the other NPC member groups and lead all of our chapters to a no-frills recruitment environment. The Membership Committee and NPC resource team are ready to offer support and guidance to all of our chapters. I challenge Theta collegians to reach and maintain a no-frills recruitment environment, and I encourage Theta alumnae to support the collegians in their efforts. ■

## KAΘ Legacy Introduction

Do you have a sister, daughter, granddaughter, or great-granddaughter who will attend a college or university with a Kappa Alpha Theta chapter?

Complete this legacy introduction form and send it to the Theta chapter on the campus your legacy plans to attend.

(See the Member Recruitment Directory, beginning on page 43 in this Spring 2002 issue of The Magazine, for college chapter addresses.)

**This introduction does not take the place of a reference.** Please make sure a *Letter of Reference* form is completed on behalf of your legacy.

To \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta at \_\_\_\_\_  
COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

I wish to introduce my ☐ sister ☐ daughter ☐ granddaughter ☐ great-granddaughter, \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

She will be enrolling on your campus as a ☐ freshman ☐ sophomore ☐ junior ☐ senior beginning \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Parents \_\_\_\_\_  
NAMES

STREET CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP CODE

Her school address will be \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MAIDEN LAST

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP CODE

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter/School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year initiated: \_\_\_\_\_



# Kappa Alpha Theta Letter of Reference

(To be used only by members of KAΘ.)

Potential New Member  
LAST FIRST NICKNAME  
College \_\_\_\_\_ Hometown \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s) or Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
FULL NAME MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME, IF KNOWN  
Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

## KAPPA ALPHA THETA LEGACY

☐ sister

☐ mother

☐ grandmother

☐ great-grandmother

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MAIDEN LAST

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MAIDEN LAST

Other KAΘ Relatives \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME (include maiden if known) RELATIONSHIP CHAPTER

Other women's fraternity connections \_\_\_\_\_

I have known the potential new member for \_\_\_\_\_ years. I have known the potential new member's family for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

I do not know the potential new member. Source of information \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby sponsor this young woman with the understanding that she may become a member of Kappa Alpha Theta.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Initiated \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MAIDEN LAST CHAPTER YEAR

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

RRBC/ARR \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

## Recruitment Reference Board/Authorized Recruitment Representative Comments

## All About References

Tell a college chapter about a young friend who would make a good Theta!

**WHAT TO SEND:** Complete information about the potential new member's qualifications is essential, and **a picture of her is highly desirable.** Get both from her or her family **if she is a friend of yours.** A member must **not** call or visit a potential new member or her family unknown to her to request information or a picture.

**WHERE TO SEND IT:** Send references to the potential new member's hometown recruitment reference board chairman (RRBC). If there is no reference board, send references to the authorized recruitment representative (ARR). If there is no ARR, send references to the reference chairman for the college chapter the young woman is attending.

**REMEMBER THETA AND NPC GUIDELINES:** Once membership selection has begun, alumnae and collegiate members from other campuses must **not** contact potential new members, and alumnae may **not** contact the college chapter to inquire about the progress of member recruitment. Such calls must be addressed to the chapter's membership adviser. Alumnae shall not receive any information about the status of a potential new member or bid list information. Alumnae are also prohibited from sending food or gifts to the chapter on behalf of a potential new member. Breaking Panhellenic rules may cause the chapter to be penalized.

**QUESTIONS? CALL 1-800-526-1870 or 317-876-1870**



POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST NICKNAME

**ACADEMIC HISTORY AND INTERESTS** *Attach additional page, if necessary*

Year in college ☐ freshman ☐ sophomore ☐ junior ☐ senior

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Grad. Year \_\_\_\_\_

Class size \_\_\_\_\_ Class rank \_\_\_\_\_ Scholastic Average \_\_\_\_\_ ACT/SAT \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Honor Roll ☐ Academic Enrichment Program(s) ☐ Academic Awards ☐ NHS

Comments:

**COLLEGE**

College(s) attended \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Dean's List ☐ Academic Enrichment Program(s) ☐ Academic Awards ☐ Honor Societies

Comments:

**SUGGESTED TOPICS OF CONVERSATION WHEN RECRUITING**

Interests and Talents: ☐ Musical ☐ Artistic ☐ Athletic ☐ Other

Explain:

Activities: ☐ Extracurricular ☐ Volunteer ☐ Leadership Experience ☐ Employment

Explain:

**PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER'S PERSONALITY AND CHARACTER THAT WILL ASSIST THE CHAPTER IN RUSHING HER.**

*These characteristics may include, but are not limited to: adapts well in groups, loyal, dependable, industrious, respected, reserved/quiet, poised, understands the obligations of membership, etc.*

**FOR CHAPTER USE ONLY** Required written follow-up with sponsor, RRB or ARR:

Date reference received \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/DD/YY REFERENCE CHAIR SIGNATURE

Acknowledged reference \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/DD/YY REFERENCE CHAIR SIGNATURE

Notification of outcome \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/DD/YY REFERENCE CHAIR SIGNATURE

If pledged by KAO, send this reference to your membership district director within 14 days;  
if pledged to another NPC group on your campus, please destroy this reference. If **not** pledged to any NPC group, retain this reference for two years.



# 2002-2003 MEMBER RECRUITMENT DIRECTORY

**PLEASE NOTE:** All information was correct at publication. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by subsequent changes.

For a reference letter form and more information about submitting it, see page 43. Send references to a potential member's hometown rush reference board chairman (RRBC) or authorized rush representative (ARR). If there is no RRBC or ARR, send references to the chapter at the school the potential member is attending. A state-by-state listing of RRBCs and ARRs begins below and is

followed by an alphabetical list of college chapters, recruitment dates, and names of reference chairmen.

Alumnae writing references and needing further information should call KAΘ headquarters, 800-526-1870. College chapters needing references for specific rushes should call headquarters for the name of the appropriate state chairman.

## • UNAUTHORIZED USE OF THIS MAILING LIST IS PROHIBITED •

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**Mobile - RRBC**  
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by Marian Wilcox Dalton

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by Ann Mercer Varey

Lindsey Peters

by Marsha Kimberlin Peters

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by Stephanie Plank Klein

Emily Pieplow's Initiation (I'M 2001)

by Linda Beck Pieplow

Pittsburgh Alum Chapter Centennial

by Anne Rocco Countours

Jill Davenport Plageman's birthday

by Judith Hill Lawes

Purdue Pledge Class - 50 Years

by Sally Ashbaucher McIveen

Katelyn Quimby's Initiation

by Nancy McDonald Quimby

Dawn Cole Richter

by Liz Densmore Mockler

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by Rosalie Myers Wheeler

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by Barbara Penfield Hall  
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by Suzanne Todd Krapf

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by Sandra Trask Wyman

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by Patricia Allen McKnight

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by Mary Anne Mullen

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by Sue Warburton Lockett

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by Bruce Cloaninger Harry

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by Rebecca "Becky" Pigg Warren

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Alberta 1939; November 2001

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Arizona 1919; March 2000

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Arizona 1940; October 2001

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Illinois 1949; December 2001

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Ohio State 1944; November 2001

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Purdue 1949; December 2001

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Purdue 1944; December 2001

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Syracuse 1932; October 2001

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Syracuse 1952; November 2001

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Texas 1934; December 2001

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UCLA 1937; January 2002

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UCLA 1930; November 2001

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UCLA 1929; November 2001

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Vermont 1939; October 2001

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Vermont 1941; December 2000

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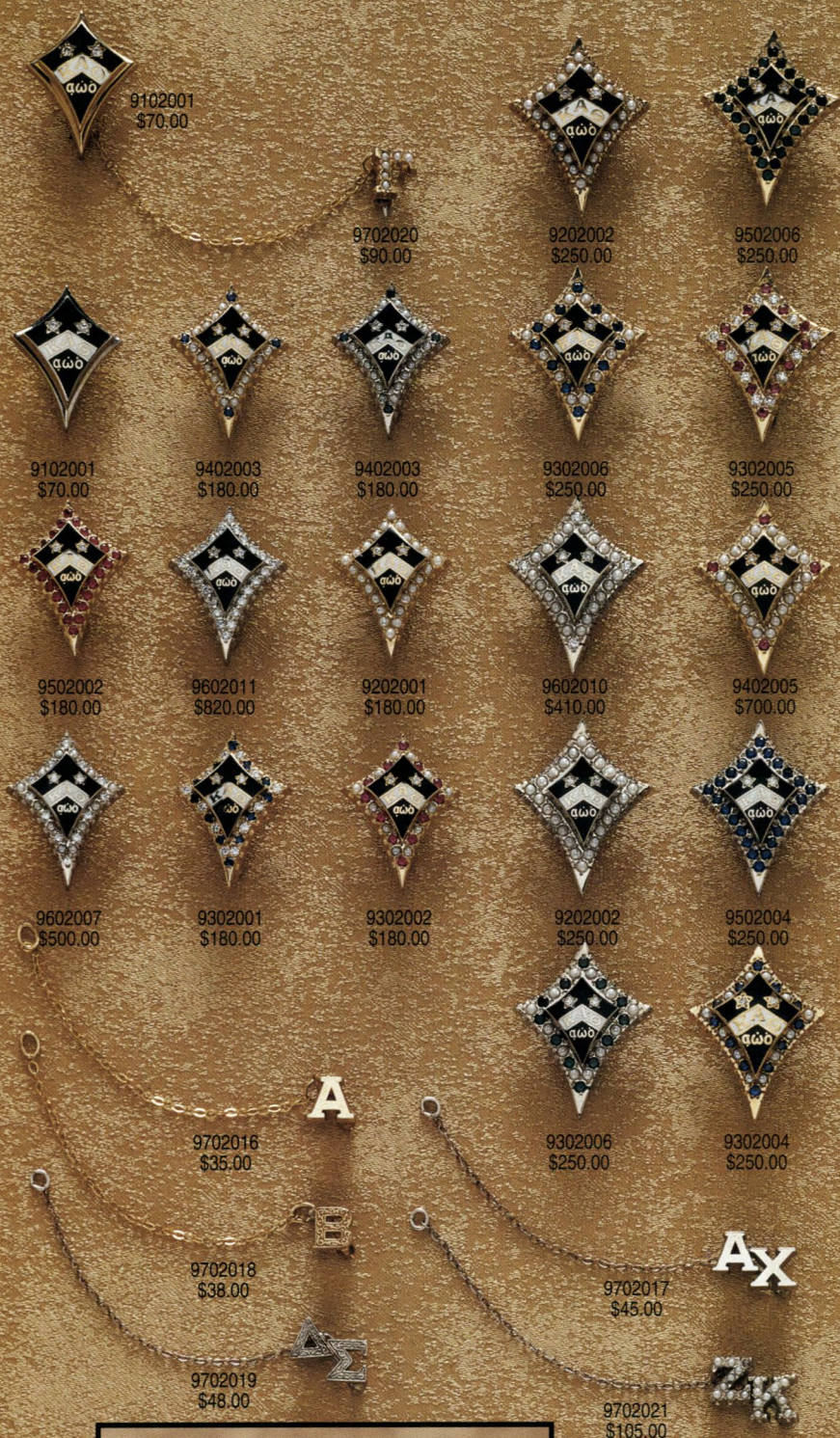
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